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Memorandum of letters to be entered in the Blanks of this Month

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No 288 – From the Collector of Myaveram dated 9th June recd 14 Do 11
302 – From Mr Tichborne dated & recd 16th July Do
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Stephen Lushington Esq.r V A
Collector

Sir,

Inclosed I have the honor to transmit a Bill for Batta ... Detachment from Trichenopoly, and in the event of your ordering it Payment, will be much obliged by your granting an order for the amou... to be received here.

Trichenopoly }
June 30.th 1799

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Edw. W. Collins Lt. Commanding
Detachment

Revenue Department

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To Mr. Stephen Lushington Collector of Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15.th Instant and to inform you that you have the Boards Permission to Visit the Presidency on your Private affairs.

Fort St. George
28.th June 1799

I am
Sir,
your obedient Servant
(Signed) Travers
Secy

Stephen R. Lushington Esq.r Collector &c. &c.
Ramnad

Sir,

Yesterday I wrote you a hasty Note acquainting you with the intelligence I had received of a party of Peons under the Shivegery Polligars ... son and Maiupoly Tamaus having Marched towards Shivegery and this Morning the Shivergar that attacked them has been with Me and reported that about 500 fire arms, and 500 Pikemen &c. under the abovementioned persons surrounded the Fort of Shivegery yesterday Morning at day break having previously taken some head Men in the employ of that Polligar Prisoners ... Chervergar Sallied out of the Fort with 1000 of their best Men and

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completely routed the Son's Party killed and wounded about 20 of them, they made their escape in Different directions, the Son and Mauply Vanian with about 150 or 200 Peons are gone off towards the Collery Country it seemes their force was Composed of Peon's from Ellarampenny Colerpatty and Pandalam-courchy but Chiefly from the first who had supplied them with all the ammunation they brought with them—

I have the honor to be
Sir
your very Obedient Servant,
(Signed) C Dighton—
Commanding at Sheevelapatore—

Sheevlapatoor
1st July 1799—

To R. Lushington Esqr. Collector Ramnad

Sir,

I had yesterday the honor to receive yours covering my Bills for Bullock hire Batta &c with Bills of Lieut. Trichbornes Shewing what he had drawn on that account and have now the pleasure to send you a Corrected Bill for Bullock hire Batta to which I hope you will find right. I made out the Account from the Conicoply report that accompanied the Bullocks in which I find he has misinformed me as to the Number of Bullockes employed— I had wrote Lieut. Trichborne (before I understood he had drawn any thing from you) that I should draw for the whole, was I had been under the Necessity of advancing Money to the different people here belonging to the Bullocks however now I hope all will be right—

I had the honor to write you yesterday informing you that I had sent the event before a guard of the strength you would be pleased to give them such instructions as you might deem proper either thro me or the Tasildar I did not understand by your letter if they were to return in ten or twelve days or if they were to wait your orders—

Pallamcottah
3d July 1799—

I have the honor to be
Sir your most obt. Servant
(Signed) Knowles Lieut
Commanding Pallamcottah

To S. Lushington Esqr.

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Sir,

I have the honor to forward you the Monthly Batta Bill for a de[tachment] of the 1st Bn. 3d Regt employed at your requisition at Wootopnaigs Pollum and ha[ve] the Honor to be, Sir,

your most Obedient Servant

Madura
1. July 1799

(Signed) J. T. Johnson
Lieut. Commanding the Detachment

To Mr. S. R. Lushington Collector in the assigned Peshcush

Sir,

(Circular)

I have the directions of the Board to desire that you transmit a separate paper of remarks to accompany the Demand Collection and Balance on th[e] 12th July 1799 or close of the present Fusly wherein you will be careful to ass[ign] special and particular reason on every the smallest balance Outstanding for Curren[t] Revenue. You will particularly specify whether there be security for the Bal[ance]s the Nature of it and to what amount the circumstances and situation of the parties as accurately as can be ascertained all which together with the probable period of realization must be stated in the fullest manner possible.

I am
Sir,
your most Obedient Servant

Fort St. George
28t. June 1799

(Signed) George Read
Acco. R. B.

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Revenue Department

To Mr. S. R. Lushington Collector at Ramnad.

Sir,

The Board have received your letter of the 19th Instant they direct me in reply to inform you, that in calling on you for the promised report on the proposed measures for establishing an efficient System of Government over the Polig[ars] with the least possible delay they were not unaware of the importance of the task

nor did they mean that you should submit any suggestions without the Mature
consideration of the subject but from your general acquaintance with all the
proceedings that have passed in regard to this Class of people having before you
the Board report of March 1797 and being fully convinced of the indispensable
necessity of a General System being speedily determined upon as expressed in your
letter of the 7th Instant they doubt not you will complete it as soon as possible

Fort St. George
28th June 1799 -

I am
Sir
your Obedient Servant
(Signed) J. B. Travers
Secy

Revenue Department

To Mr. Stephen Lushington Collector of Poligai Peshcush and Ramnad

Sir

The Board desire you will report by return of Tappal the progress made by your Assistants in the acquirement of the Country Languages -

Fort St. George
2d July 1799 -

I am
Sir
your Obedient servant
(Signed) W. Wright
A. S. C.

Revenue Department

To Mr. J. R. Lushington Collector of Poligars Peshcush and Ramnad—

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to desire you will inform them whether you require any further supplies of Grain for the Consumption of the Inhabitants of the Ramnad Province and transmit an account of that received and disposed of—

Fort St. George
1st. July 1799—

I am
Sir
your Obedient Servant
(Signed) J. B. Travers
Secy

Stephen Lushington Esqr. Collector at Ramnad—

Sir,

I herewith enclose five Bills of Lading for (51. 300) Fifty one Madras Garce and three Hundred Mercals of Paddy Shipped on the Doneys mentioned in the accompanying List the Invoice whereof I shall have the pleasure of forwarding to you by Tappal—

I also send a company's Stamped Mercal which has been made use of in Lading the Doneys and by which it is Stipulated that the Grain is to be deliver'd to you will be pleased to pay to the Tindals their respective Balances of Freight on receipt of the Cargoes agreeable to the Bills of Lading—

Mayaveram
9th June 1799—

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) J. A. Grant
Collr.

Revenue Department

To Mr. Stephen Lushington Collector of Poligar Peshcush &ca. at Ramnad

Sir

By desire of the Board you will herewith receive Copy of (you

your Register of Bills for the Months of March and April properly authenti-
-cated which is to serve as an acknowledgement of the bills transmitted in the
Course of those months with such remarks annexed as appear Necessary for your
information respecting them -

I am
Sir,
your Obedient Servant

Fort St. George
25th June 1799 -

(Signed) Wm. J. Wright
Ar. Dr. Gr.

Stephen R. Lushington Esqr. Collector &c. &c. &c. Ramnad -

Sir,

Accompanying I have the honor to send the Payroll &
abstract for the Troops at this station for the Month of June 1799 -

I have the honor to be
your most Obedient humble Servant

July 5th 1799 -

(Signed) C Dighton
Commanding Shevelapotoor

To Mr. S. R. Lushington Collector in the Assigned Peshcush -

Sir,

Circular)

The annexed Extract from the Proceedings of a Board of audit
to June is forwarded for your information and guidance -

I am
Sir
your most Obedient Servant

Fort St. George
5th July 1799 -

(Signed) George Read
Acct. B. R.

Revenue Department

To Mr. Stephen Lushington Collector at Ramnad -

Sir,

The Board have received your letter of the 29th Ultimo &
direct me to mention that you have Omitted to send the Paper marked No. 1.
in the list of the Packet enclosed, as also No. 17 - in the Bundle endorsed "
accounts Accompanying from No. 3 to 53. 21. excepted -

I am Sir your Obedient Servant

Fort St. George
5th July 1799 -

(Signed) J. B. Travers
Secy. (Stephen

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Stephen R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector at
Sir,
Ramnad

I herewith enclose Two Bills of Lading for (37. 50) Thirty seven Madras Garce and Fifty Mercals of Paddy shipped on the Doneys mentioned in the Accompanying List, the Invoice whereof as well as that of the former Consignment I shall hereafter have the pleasure of forwarding to you.

It is stipulated that the Paddy is to be delivered to you by the same Mercal which I sent on the former Boats, it having been measured to the Boat people by a Corresponding one at this Place.

You will be pleased to pay to the Tindals their respective Balances of Freight on receipt of the Carges agreeable to the Bills of Lading.

I have the honor to be
Sir, your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) F. A. Grant
Collector

Mayaveram
31st June 1799

To Stephen Lushington Esqr. acting Collector Ramnad

Sir.
Here with I have the honor to forward you the Batta Bills of my Detachment countersigned by Major Bannerman you will oblige me, by sending me an order on Mr. Rawlins paymaster for the Amount.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your very obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Turner Lieut.
Commanding a Detacht.
2. Bn. 13th Regt.

Mayaveram
16. July 1799

To Stephen R. Lushington Esqr. Collector at Ramnad

Sir
I have the honor to enclose your Copy of a Bill of Lading & Invoice of a fourth Cargo of Paddy dispatched to Devicapatam which I hope may be found correct and trusting that the Grain may arrive safe at the destined Port
I have the honor to be Sir your most obedient Servant
(Signed) R. Balmain

Trivaloor
[illegible] 1799

Invoice of Grain Exported at Moottoopettam by Order of the Collector of the Soubah of Mannargoody and Consigned to the Collector of Ramnadapoorum by the Authority of the Board of Revenue -

Month and Date when Exported		Number of Doneys	Names of the Doney Owners	Names of the Tindalls	Amount of Peshanum Paddy		at Cullums pr Candy	amount of each Doney
					Cullums	Me	Cullums Me	Candys
1799 June	19	1 Doney	Mummepilly	Vaupoo	556.	8	at 13 „ 11 pr Candy	40.
	„	1 Ditto	Shaynah	Meerapilly	1019.	5.	at D pr Ditto	73/4
	„	1 Ditto	Dockanyar	Puckeer	835.	„	at D pr Ditto	60.
	„	1 Ditto	Shakenayalava Markayen	Heeraudoo	835.	„	at D pr Ditto	60.
	„	1 Ditto	Sally Mammonayalava	Shakaudy	427.	1.	at D pr Ditto	35.
	„	1 Ditto	Cosee Mahommedully	Shacko	946.	4.	at D pr Ditto	68.
	„	1 Ditto	Ravottanaynah	Allyar	347.	11.	at D pr Ditto	25.
	„	1 Ditto	Codyenrra Vadapilly	Soobramonyen	1,530.	10.	at D pr D	110.
		8 Ditto		Amounting to	6,558.	3.		471/4

Trivaloore 22. June 1799.

Errors Excepted &c.

(Signed) G. Balmain
Collr.

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Revenue Department

To Mr. Stephen Lushington Collector of Poligar Pishcush and Ramnad.

Sir,

I am directed to transmit for your guidance Copy of a letter from the Board to Government and of their reply on the subject of your report of the 26. Ultimo expressing their approbation of the labor and zeal for the public good, which you have manifested in the investigation and detection of the Numerous frauds in the Ramnad province and in the recovery of part of the embezzlements.

I herewith also transmit an account of Copper and paddy supplied you from this Place amounting to Pagodas 250" 7" 7" which you will Credit this Treasury for in your accounts and account for in due course.

One side to be left blank for No. 4 —

Fort St. George
9th July 1799.

I am
Sir
your Obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Dn. Travers
Secy.

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Revenue Department.

To William Petrie Esqr.
president &ca. Members of the Board of Revenue.

Gentlemen,

We have received your letter of the 3d. Instant, and are exceedingly concerned, at the general and extensive Corruption which appears to have prevailed throughout the province of Ramnad under the administration of the late Collector Mr. Jackson.

We shall adopt such measures, as may be necessary for investigating the Charges brought against that Gentleman, and for bringing the principal Native Offenders, who acted under his authority to punishment. Mean while we direct, that you convey to the present Collector, our approbation of the labor and zeal for the public good, which he has manifested in the detection of these numerous frauds, and in the recovery of part of the embezzlements.

If Rungapilly the Dubash of the late Collector, should not yet have been released from restraint we desire, that he may be sent under safeguard

a guard to the Presidency.

We authorize the Collector to deprive the Hurnum of Peryoor Mahgan of his Merassy and to inflict such other punishment in such manner, as he shall judge adequate to the offence of the Hurnum.

We confirm the decision of the Collector upon the Petition of Abdul Cawder, as well as the award given by the arbitrators on the dispute between the Sunkum Renter and Sheick Dawalgee, and direct that they may be carried into execution.

The address of the Inhabitants of Ramnad to the late Collector, Mr. Jackson upon his abolition of the Village Settlement was always of so suspicious an appearance, that the discovery of the means by which it was contrived has not surprized us.

Fort St. George
6th July 1799

We are
Gentlemen,
your most Obedient Servants

(Signed) { Clive
William Petrie
E. W. Fallofield

(a true Copy)

(Signed) W. G. Wright
Dt. D. C.

We further recommend for Conformation the award given by the arbitrators on the dispute between Arinapah moodaly the Sunkum Renter in 1207. and Shaik Davaligee the security.

To shew to what a degree Rungapillay interfered in the management of the District, Mr. Lushington has directed our attention to an original letter from him to the head Superintendent and the Examinations by Mr. Grame respecting obtaining secretly the Signatures of the Head Inhabitants to an address to be presented to Mr. Jackson expressive of their gratitude for annulling

annulling the Settlement they had entered in to for the Revenue of Fusly 1207-

The Sherogar of Shevagunga having accused Rungapilly Mr. Jacksons dubash of embezzling upwards of 18000 P. N. Pagodas paid him on account of his kists and Rungapilly having represented himself unable to attend the Catcherry and answer to the Charge Mr. Lushington deputed his assistant Mr. Graime to his house to make the Necessary enquiry by which it appears Rungapilly confesses this amount was Received but asserts that it was paid to Mr. Jackson as a Nazur P. N. Pags 7000. direct and 11,300. through him the truth of which he offers to attest by the most Solemn Oath of his religion We beg leave to refer your Lordships to the proceedings for full information on this point and to Request your Instructions as to the further Measures to be pursued -

In regard to the Numerous persons who have been so engaged in this general and Shameless peculation throughout the Ramnad district which has been productive of such baneful effects, we shall direct the Collector to keep them in confinement until the amount of their depredations has been Received when we shall submit for your Lordships consideration the inflicting of the punishment their delinquency merits -

We have the honor to be
My Lord
your most Obedient and
humble Servant
(Signed) William Petrie
President &ca. Members

Fort St. George -
3d. July 1799 -

(A true Copy)
(Signed) W. Wright
Ast. D. S.

To Stephen R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector
Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you two Copies of Bills of Lading & two Invoices of a third Cargo of Paddy dispatched to Daviapatam & which I hope may be found correct & trusting that the Grain may arrive safe at the destined Port

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) G Balmain
Collector

Trivalore
2d. June 1799

Invoice of Grain Exported at Mootoopettam by order of the Collector of the Soubah of Mannargoody & Consigned to the Collector of Ramnadapoorum by the authority of the Board of Revenue

Month & Date when Exported		No. of Donneys	Names of the Donney Owners	Names of the Tindals	amount of Pasanum Paddy, Cullums	Ms.	at Cullums per Candy	amount of each Donney, Candy
1799 May	27th	1 Donney	Pareayanaenahlavay Marcayer	Agamadoorrutter	3061.	8.	at 13. 11. per Candy	220.
		1 Do.	Do.	Sacoothumbee	640.	2.	at Do.	46.
		1 Do.	Agamadooyelmarayermeerahvoosan	Sakameeroyelavay	417.	6.	at Do.	30.
		1 Do.	Connavoy magamadully	Sacoo	431.	5.	at Do.	31.
		1 Do.	Methensacathemaracayer	Chickender	501.	"	at Do.	36.
		1 Do.	Gunjamurry cayer afsaneypilla	Chickender	389.	8.	at Do.	28
		1 Do.	Yelathumba	Moddilyapilla	1809.	2.	at Do.	130.
		1 Do.	Achacarasakathee	Agauradoosl	250.	6.	at Do.	18.
		1 Do.	Routter	Maracayer	208.	9.	at Do.	15.
		1 Do.	Meerahsaib	Puckeer	1391.	8.	at Do.	100.
		1 Do.	Do.	Vareesi	417.	6.	at Do.	30.
		11 Do.		Amounting to	9519.	"		684.

Trivalore 2d. June 1799

Errors Excepted
&c.

(Signed) G Balmain
Collector

Invoice of Grain Exported at Mootoopettam by order of the Collector of the Soubah of Mannargoody and Consigned to the Collector of Ramnadapooram by the authority of the Board of Revenue

Month and Date when Exported		No. of Doneys	Names of the Doney owners	Names of the Tindals	amount of Peshanum Paddy		at Cullums pr Candy	amount of each Doney
					cullums	Mt	Cullm Mt	Candy
1799 May	27th	1 Donney	Booaneyar Afsaneyar pilla	Aboovacker	1739	7	at 13 " M. pr Candy	125
		1 Do	Do	Meerapilla	556	8	at Do	40
		1 Do	yeshpaunum afsaneaundoo	Moodaly	320	1	at Do	23
		1 Do	Gunjahmurrycayer	yeboorayee	487	1	at Do	35
		1 Do	Columgoosakathe maracayer	Kaleendermeerah levvy	417	6	at Do	30
		1 Do	Do	Karoothemeerah levvy	320	1	at Do	23
		1 Do	Vanpoo	Sakoothumbee	389	8	at Do	28
		1 Do	Sacooparee thee	Mumaun	974	2	at Do	70
		1 Do	Afsanayelvymadoomeerah levvy	Soomahnainah	835	"	at Do	60
		1 Do	Poachanesakatheyar	Aloothulcauther	389	8	at Do	28
		1 Do	Koasally	Magamadoomeerah	389	8	at Do	28
		1 Do	Sikarayeauther	Magoothoo	278	4	at Do	20
		1 Do	Sayedasagamedoopilla	Cautherrutty	2505	"	at Do	180
		13 Ditto		amounting to	9,602	6		690

Trivalore 2d June 1799

Errors Excepted (Signed) G. Balmain
Collector

"Jr"

Revenue Department

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Revenue Department

To Mr. J. R. Lushington

Collector of Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad

Sir,

(Circular letters)

I am directed to transmit you extract of a letter from the Governor General in Council under date the 6th Instant to which the Board desire your most particular attention and that you regularly Make a report quarterly of the Industry of your assistants and the progress made by them in the Acquisition of the Native languages as therein particularly prescribed I am further directed to observe it must be your particular care to give in constant Employ to your assistants in such Manner as you may Judge Most for the public advantage and you are strictly Enjoined & held responsible for instructing them in every branch of Revenue Duty & the local usages of your District connected therewith - as it is declared to be the unalterable determination of Government Not promote any Gentleman in the Revenue Department unless he shall possess competent knowledge of the administration of the Revenue and of a Native language - the trust no exertion will be wanting on their part so uptai both qualifications -

I am
Sir
your obedient Servant
(Signed) W. B. Travers
Secy

Fort St. George
9th July 1799 -

Extract of a letter from Government Dated 6th July 1799 -

Having great reason to be dissatisfied with the General want of industry in the Junior part of the Civil Service, and particularly with their inattention to the study of the native languages (which are indispensable

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to the faithful discharge of their duty, we order and direct that it shall be a part of each Collector's duty under your authority to make a quarterly report of the industry of each of his assistants, and of the progress made by them in the acquisition of Native languages -

At the same time that we impose this task on the Collectors we desire that they may be assured of our constant support in the discharge of it, and as we shall exact the performance of this duty from them at the risk of forfeiting their own situations we shall not fail to relieve them from the burthen of those assistants who may persevere in indolence, ignorance or immorality -

We are willing to hope that a generous spirit of emulation, the hope of reward, and the sense of public character and duty in the Junior part of the Company's servants on this Establishment will prevent the necessity of enforcing this resolution, but we desire it to be understood as our unalterable determination not to promote any Gentleman in your department unless he shall possess a competent knowledge of the administration of the Revenue and of the Native languages -

(A true) Extract)
(Signed) W G Wright
at Sec. B.

To H. Grame Esqr.
Acting Collector &c. Ramnad

I have received yours of the 5th and March about the same time received a letter also from the Commissary in Camp to send in the account of slaughter cattle for payment I had wrote to him while the Poligars were at Carroor but he was so much Engaged that I got no answer in consequence of which I gave them receipts - so soon as I can get the business adjusted and the amount paid in I shall give you Notice that these people may attend to be paid the value of their cattle which will be adjusted by the same rules

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as those of Mr. Hurdis's Amuldar at Carroor — It is absolutely Necessary & that these people should be convinced of the Erroneous idea they possess of & receiving for their cattle at the Company's Rate Vizt. 2 Sr. Pags. indiscriminately good or bad - Goats - Lambs Kids &c. - all at the same price the last that were sent Mootia Naig were in General so bad that they were upon the Eve of being sent back altogether - and the last completing & supple from Viramaley I was Necessitated to reject altogether indeed except Ramgherry - not one sent any supply of a Medium kind - but as matters then were - I found myself Necessitated to pass them, as better than Nothing all I have to say on the subject is that it will be my Endeavour to do every Justice in my power both to Government and them -

I am, Sir,
your humble Servant
(Signed) E. Eleljepp

Trichinopoly
15 July 1799 -

Sickness prevented my advising you sooner & which also has found Me hither

Extract of a Letter from the Resident of Tanjore dated 3d July 1799 -

I take the Earliest opportunity of apprising you & of the mistake you have made in granting your Bills to these Gentlemen for the sum you have received since the Date of my appointment to the Controul of the S. Revenues these Bills ought to have been granted in my favour and I must request you will recover them if possible from the Collectors & Exchange them - in Return for which it is my Duty to grant them Bills on Government in favour of the Revenue Board -

(a true Extract)
(Signed) Robt. Hughes
N. Paymaster

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To Henry Grame Esq.r

Acting collector of the Poligar Peshcush &c. &c.

Sir, Ramnad –

I have the honor to forward Extract of a letter from the Resident of Tanjore by which you will perceive that it is necessary that my Bills on the Paymaster General for Cash from your Treasury should in his favor, for which he will pass his own Bills in favor of the Board of Revenue upon Government In consequence of these instructions I have to request you will return on the Set of Bills for the 7,000 Pag.s advanced this month for which I will transmit others in favor of Mr. Torin by return of Tappaul –

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most Obedient Humble Servant
(Signed) Robt. Hughes
D. Paymaster

Madura
17.th July 1799 –

To Mr. S. R. Lushington Collector at Ramnad –

Sir,

The Right Hon.ble the Governor General in Council having considered your report of the 2.d Instant on the Dutch Prisoner of War, resident within your districts directs that Mess.rs Vanspall ... de Gratian, and Albrecht may be sent to the Presidency in order that they may proceed either to Europe or to Batavia

The remainder of the Dutch subjects, whom you consider in offensive may remain in the district but if you should have occasion to be hereafter dissatisfied with their conduct, you will take immediate means for sending them to the Presidency –

I am
Sir
your most obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Webby
Sub Sec.

Fort St. George
16. July 1799 –

To. H. Græme Esqr.
acting Collector

Sir, I am just favored with your letter of yesterday & inclosing a Tukied to the Polegar of Nagliapore which I have forwarded to him. The last information I have received of his Peons state them to have returned to Nagliapoor with the Booty they have collected from the different Villages they have plundered Conformably to your request I shall march on the first intimation I receive of their being again in the Comery Talook and if I conceive my force is adequate shall proceed into the Palemerry Talook if I have of their again commiting depredations in that Quarter I fear it will be difficult to surprize them as I am given to understand the Inhabitants in many Places are joining them, & as in every expedition they return to Nagliapoor as soon as it is collected to deposit their plunder Two Reports have been here from Soitgoody that Milapen had again entered the province with 20 followers and passed that place in his way to Poolangol and Pambenundle the very dispossed state to which the inhabitants are reduced I am informed has induced several Villages to enter into an agreement to pay the Cawl-fees demanded by these rapacious Ruffians hoping I conjecture thereby to avert the threatened evil till such time as a sufficient force is collected to inflict that punishment on their oppressors they have so long & so justly merited –

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Tichborne Lt.
Commanding detachment

To Stephen R. Lushington Esqr. Collector at Ramad &c. &c. &c.

Sir, as it is probable I may have occasion to pass through the Pollams of Ootapanaig and Detapanaig under your jurisdiction

-rnment of the Collories I have to beg you will issue the necessary
-rs for me and my people being supplied with such provisions a-
those places may afford, the same being regularly paid for -

I am Sir
your very obedient Servant
(Signed) Jn. G. Ravenshaw
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Nellacotah
4 July 1799 -

To H. Graeme Esqr. Acting Collector

Sir,

upon more mature Consideration of your le-
16. Instant it is my intention to March to those Villages in the Comm-
Talook that have been lately plundered by Peons of the Nagala-
Poligar without waiting for information of their having renew-
their depredations, as being Calculated to give confidence to th-
Inhabitants & conformable to the general Spirit of your letter be-
as their Villages are very contiguous to Nagaliapoor I have judged
it expendient augment my present force with the addition of
detachment of the Ramnad Battalion Stationed at Moodacolatoor
whome I have directed to join me having before received intimation
from Colonel Martinz that the Jamedar Commanding had been
enjoined to obey any orders he might receive from me I am in
hourly expectation of their arrival & of the Bullocks Drivers &
that I have applied to the Amildar to supply me with are ready
I propose marching tomorrow Morning -

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient Servan-
Thos. Trichborne Lt.
Commanding detachmen-

Comedy
18. July 1799 -

Mr. Grame.

Acting Collector-

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, and will be much Obligeged by your Sending the Amount of the Batta Bill I draw on Mr. Lushington, with the Pay of the late Rajah of Ramnad when left dispatch a Guard for that Purpose-

I have the Honor to be
Sir.
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Edw. H. Collins
Lt. L. Adjt. 1 B. Rt.

Trichinopoly
July 17th 1799-

Pallachey 19th July-

To: R. Grame Esqr.
Acting Collector Sir.

Yesterday Evening the moniegar of Mustaunchey reported that the Calogoody Poligar was come to Poolangal with a hundred Peons that More were Coming to Join him & that he expected he would plunder & (Mustaunchey

Mataichy last Night, if assistance was Not sent to protect my place in conse-
-quence of the information detached Party to remain there during the night
on the March this Morning I heard the Calagoody Peons had left Poolangol but on
my arrival here found they were still there & augmented to 300 Men I there-
directed my march thither, & as soon as we came in Sight of the Village
saw them all drawn up on our advancing within about a Quarter of a
mile of them they began to move off in very regular order having a follow-
-ing a head in a Palankeen whom I am given to understand was the
Chief Poligar himself on our adv^d. Guard coming within hearing they
were called to & told we wished to speak to them to which they
replied "they would not come & that if we wanted to fight they
were ready" on having this insolent answer I directed the advanced
party to fire on them which was instantly returned and a smart fire
commenced on both sides which was kept up for about 1/4 of an hour
gradually retiring & we advancing till they entered the Poligars own
Country, with approve his within a Mile of Poolangol when I did not
think it either prudent or proper to follow them I am sorry to say two
Sepoys on our part have been wounded - both badly - one in the [illegible]
& the other through the Foot I returned here as the nearest place that
afforded water & other articles wanted by the Sepoys - Poolangol not
being capable of supplying either -

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient humble Servant
(Signed) [illegible] Lt.
Com^d. of Detachment -

P.S. I send the Naglapoor
Poligar's answer by the Bearer

Mr. H. S. Greeme
Acting Collector
Ramnad

Sir

In consequence of Orders from the Governor General in Council I Beg leave to inform you that I am to proceed to Madras this Evening and may not return to Tanjore till the End of August I have therefore to request that you will make provision for the August Payments, & take the Trouble to write to Mr. Hughes assuring him of your punctuality in this respect.

I request you will take the same steps for the September Payments, provided you do not hear from me before Mr. Hughes may be in want of the Cash

I am
Sir
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Benj. Torin
Residency
Revenue Department

Tanjour
19th July 1799

To Mr. H. S. Greeme

Sir

I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honble the Governor General in Council has been pleased to appoint you head assistant to the Collector of Ramnad

I am
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Govt.

Fort St. George
13th July 1799

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To. J. R. Lushington Esqr.

Collector of Poligar Peshcush & Ramnad—

Sir.

I have to request from you an advance of 13000 S. Pags for my Disbursements of the Ensuing month If convenient I beg the favor of you to dispatch 5000 Pagodas of it to this place and 8000 Pagodas to the Detachment

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient humble
Servant
(Signed) Robt. Hughes
N/ Paymaster

Madura
22d. July 1800

Revenue Department

To. Mr. Graeme
acting Collector at Ramnad—

Sir.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th. Instant, and to inform you that under the urgent circumstances you have mentioned, the Board are necessitated to grant their Sanction to such advances as may be immediately necessary for the repair of Tanks and watercourses, previous to the Transmission of the necessary Estimates, which they desire you will forward as soon as possible—

I am
Sir
your obedient Servant
J. Travers—
Secr

Fort St. George
18th. July 1799—

To Henry Sulivan Graeme Esqr.
Acting Collector of the Poligar Peshcush & District of Ramnad

Sir.

I have been honored with your letter of the 24th. Instant

and conceiving that the Resident of Tanjore means that I should look to you for the whole of my Demands of August have the pleasure to acquaint you that they amount to 14,000 Star Pag^s. Six hundred of which are requisite for Palamcotah & Eight thousand for Madura — sums which I beg leave to assure you I am very well satisfied you will provide as speedily as Circumstances will permit —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Robt. Hughes
N.C. Paymaster

Madura
24th. July 1799 —

To
S. R. Grame Esqr.
Acting Collector &c. &c. &c.
Ramnad —

Sir,

A Cheraegar and about 100 Peons belonging to the Shevagerry Polligar Son are in possession of a Small Mud Fort called Navverkersapatty about five Miles hence I understand they have repaired the walls and strengthened it as far as their Skill reaches and from this hold are laying the Neighbouring Villages under Contributions —

The Ryots compleatly overawed by such a force these Marauders practise every Sort of Mischief at pleasure —

As I doubt not but you would wish to relieve the distresses of the poor Inhabitants I take the liberty of suggesting to you the Necessity of Sending two Companies of Sepoy's to dispossess them and that the Sepoy's lives may not be unnecessarily exposed, the addition of a Gun (in case they determine on resistance)

would Secure failure

As these are the same people or at least of the same party, that were taken prisoners at the Fort of Fimmely about 2 years & a half ago and then experienced the lenity of Government it may probably in this Second attempt be thought necessary to make some example. I would therefore be prudent to go so prepared as to prevent the necessity of allowing them to surrender on conditions.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient humble Servant
(Signed) H. Dighton
Commanding at Shevelapatoor

Shevelapatoor
23 July 1799.

To Henry Sulivan Greame Esqr.
Acting Collector of the Poligar Peshcush & District of Ramnad

Sir

A letter from the Assistant to the Resident of Tanjore which arrived last night having apprised me that the Collector of Dindegul had received instructions similar to yourself regarding my August & September Demands I beg leave to acquaint you that I am therefore to look to him for my Disbursements in the Dindegul District next month which will therefore make it necessary that you send me to Madura no more than 4000 Pags. instead of the 8000 yesterday applied for besides the 600 for Palamcotah. In all Ten thousand from you for August payments &c.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Robt. Hughes
M Paymaster

Madura
25 July 1799.

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R. Graeme Esqr. Acting Collector -

Sir

The bearer is a trusty person to whome you were be kind enough to Deliver the amount of my Batta Bills - we always draw our Batta in fanams but as the fanams current at Ramnad will not pass in this part of the Country I beg leave to suggest that you would better, if convenient, pay the to hole in pagodas if in Star Pagodas it will be more convenient for the Sepoys -

I have the honor to be
Sir
your Obedient humble Servant
(Signed) J Turner Lieut Commandg
Detachment 2d Bn. 13 Regt.

Mayaveram
19th July 1799 -

To R. Graeme Esqr. Acting Collector of Ramnad -

Sir

Your forwarding the enclosed Memorial as directed will much Oblige

Sir
your
most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Chs. Gratiaen
C. Albrecht

Manapar
July 24th 1799 -

To the Right Honorable Lord Mornington -
Governor General of India -
&c. &c. &c.
in Council Assembled -

The Memorial of
Gustaaff Adolff Gratiaen, late Second at Manapar
Christian Valentin Albrecht late Second at Pinnekil
Elizabeth Robertina Esterck widow of the late Resident at Manapaar

Humbly Sheweth

That your Memorealists have just received an order to quit their present habitations and repair immediately to Tutacoren and from thence to Madras - Had your Memorealists understood this to be a General order to all their Countrymen in the same unfortunate Situation as their Selves, they would not presume to trouble your Lord Ship on the occasion but being informed they are included in the number of fine person (only

only they cannot help feeling some apprehension tho' not conscious of having done any thing to incur your Lord Ships displeasure, otherwise they would not only remain silent, but suffer any hardship that must attend their removal, without a murmer — Impressed with a high sense of the indulgence they have already experienced from Government and with every submission to your Lord Ships, and readiness to obey every order that may be issued respecting themselves — They most humbly beg permission to state to your Lord Ship the very great hard ships they must suffer by being removed from their present dwellings, fully confident that your Lord Ship by taking their petition in to consideration will obviate their distressed situation as far as can be done consistant with the arrangements your Lord Ship's wisdom may have thought necessary to make — your Memorealists are both Married Men, one with a wife and three small Chidren, the other a wife and one child and both their wives at the present instant in a situation to render travelling not only dangerous to their health, but even their lives in a climate which the delicacy of a European constitution is so little able to bear, even when assisted by every convenience that affluence can procure, which importunataly is quite the reverse with your memorealists whose whole dependence has been on the allowance they have received from the English Government, which tho' in their present importinate situation is equal to their most sanguin expectation, yet is but a small sum to subsist their family in this Country, and even that assistance one of your Memorealists Gustaff adolf Gratian has been deprived of ever since he became a Prisoner of war by the neglect of Mr C. H. Ebell, late Chief at Tuticorin at the time of delivering the List to your Government of the Servants of the Dutch Company by having placed him below his real Rank & appointment and your other Memorealist Elizabeth Robertina Estorf has been deprived of any assistance from Government since the war, and the death of her Husband and as all the

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property your memorealists are possessed of consist in Furniture and articles for housekeeping which before they could be moved to a place where they would sell, might cost more to have them conveyed than they would sell for — Thus situated your Memorealists will not be possessed of a single Rupee to pay their travelling Expence (if their wives were realy equal to the undertaking) or to leave with them to Subsiston —

And your Memorealists the widow of the late Resident of Manapar, further Sheweth, that as she and her two Sisters wives of your other Memorealists, could not with safety reside at so dangerous a place as Manapar, without a Single European Inhabitant to protect them — She should be deprived of the only property left her by her Husband & consisting of a house &c. &c. which by the Rules of the Dutch Service he was obliged to pay the former Resident 1700 Pagodas for which the surrender of Manapar has prevented her recovering from the Succeeding Resident, and ought in consequence to have been paid her by the duch company at the time Manapar was given up, but was in the hurry & confusion Omitted to be done — And your memorealists have defered Petitioning your Lordship on the Subject with a Sanguin hope that peace was not far distant, when if Manapar should be restored to the Dutch she would receive her 1700 Pagodas agreeable to the former Rules of that Service and your other Memorealists would be on the Spot to return to their former Situations without undergoing the hardships, and sustaining the loss which they must Suffer if removed from their present dwellings — Under this circumstances your Memorealists once more presume to hope your Lordship will take their hard case in to Consideration and if possible alleviate the distresses of three unfortunate familys who as in duty bound will ever Pray —

Manapar
July 24 1799 — (Jo. M. Greame

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To H. Greame Esqr. Acting Collector

Sir,

Ramnad

Having received permission from Government to reside at Manapar, from whence I shall have Occasion to go every week or ten days to Palamcotah - Tutecoryn, or the Neighbouring Towns your furnishing me with a Passport for that purpose will much Oblige -

Sir,
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) J Baxter -

Manapar
July 23d. 1799 -

To Stephen R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector -

Sir,

I request you will inform me whither if you were authorized to Comply with my demands for Cash I might depend upon your treasury for 38,300. Star Pagodas between the Middle of September and the 1st. of December -

I am
Sir
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) J Kenworthy
Commercl. Resdt.

Tinnevelly
27th. July 1799 -

To Henry Sulivan Greme Esqr.
acting Collector of the Southern Polligar Peshcush & District of Ramnad -

Sir,

According to the desire expressed in your letter of the 25th. - Instant I have the honor to send you back four thousand Pagodas by the returning Guard which is to leave this in the morning and have the pleasure to be Sir
your very Obedient Servant
(Signed) G. Hughes Payr.
(Signed) Robt. Hughes Payr.

Madura
29. July 1799 -

To. H. S. Grame Esqr.
acting Collector.

Sir.

I have the Honor of enclosing you translation of an Oley from the Shevelapatoor Gomastah and request you will send the Necessary taheed to the Shevegerry Poligar, to induce him to do Justice to Vencata Ramian -

I am
Sir
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Renevorthe

Tinnevelly
30. July 1799

Translation of an Oley from the Shevelapatoor Gomastah

While Vencata Rameiah was minding his business at Perul-velly (as this Country is under the Shevegerry Poligars Cowl, the Poligars people have frequently made trouble with the Companys weavers which Vencata Ramsain always reported to me by which he had acquired the anger of the Poligars people, the Shevegerry Poligar destroyed his house and took every thing that was in it wood Sticks, Beams and everything He took four hundred Chuckrums build this House Besides this that day he caught the head Man of the Companys people by Name Tavasearnuttum flogged him put him in irons & sealed up his House and effects this all happened on the 15th June (Malabar Month) as soon as I heard this Business I went to Shevegerry Son the Poligar, & asked how he came to behave so to people enjoying the Companys protection He said because Vencata Ramiain does not behave to my mind, this trouble is fallen upon him now I will give orders to return the wood Beams & whatever else was taken, and release the weavers then He gave Me leave to return & I did return to Shevelapatoor he only released the weavers but has not performed any part of the rest of his promise & tho I have since written to him on the Subject he returns evasive answers and plainly

plainly means

plainly means not to keep his word.

To Mr. J. R. Lushington Collector of Assigned Peshcush

Sir,

(Circular)

The fusly year being expired I take the liberty of calling your attention to the transmission of the Jinzely Statement and other papers required to the Company at Vizt.

Complete accounts with the Zemindars or Renters for the year.

a complete account of the Collections for year of each District under the aumanee or the accounts of Teerva.

for other particulars required vide article 40th in the Regulations.

you will be pleased also to submit as early as possible an Establishment of Servants for the ensuing year compared with the past and to be particular in affording explanation on the pension List as prescribed in the 20th article to which I am to request your particular attention.

I am,
Sir,
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) George Read.
A. B. R.

Fort St. George
1st August 1799.

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Memorandum of letters to be entered in the

blank leaves of this Month — Aug.t Aug.t

From Lt. Fishborne dated 1st and 2nd 176[illegible]

Do Resident at Nagore 16 Do – 21 Do

Do Capt. Wedgborough 16 Do – 23 Do

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To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad

on the Nights of the 11th Ultimo a party of Collories from [illegible]ampatty of Mellore Nauts and Mallareoty of Shevagunga Marvar [illegible] Shevagars Pollam under your authority made an incursion into this District and plundered from Vaimbarpatty on the borders of Nettums Pollam one hundred and thirty head of cattle.

The Nautamear of the village followed the plunderers into the Nauts and sent two of his people voarque reddy and vellein to Shathupathy Ombligar the Nautamear of Mallareotty, to demand the plundered cattle.

The Monegar told them the Cattle were there but without Murdapa Sherogars order, he could not restore them.

I must therefore request you will send positive order to Murdapa Sherogar Poligar to return these bullocks immediately warning him at the same time against allowing the people of his pollam to commit the like depredations in this district in future.

I am Sir,
your very obedient Servant
(Signed) John. G. Ravenshaw
Collr.

Dindigul
9th August 1799

Revenue Department

To Mr. H. Graeme assistant Collector of Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to inform you that they sanction a Continuance of the suspension of duty on Grain authorized by them for 6 Months on the 4th January last for a further period of 3 Months, that is until the 4th of November next.

I am Sir,
your obedient Servant
(Signed) J. B. Travers
Secy.

Fort St. George
25th July 1799

To. R. Grame Esqr. Acting Collector

Sir,

A cutchery Peon arrived here this Morning at day break, from Soilgoody in the Poupancolum Talook, bringing information that yesterday afternoon a Body of Polligars belonging to Caudelgoody & Tattaniry, & Poindalumcourchey, together with Melapers, amounting to 1000, Men, with 6 Leaders on Horse back, arrived at that place, had Killed two of the inhabitants, and continued plundering the Village when he left it at 8 Oclock at Night I suppose they went off with their Booty this Morning as usual, as they brought 100. Bullocks for the conveyance of it My detachment is inadequate to a Contest with such a force & which they can encrease at pleasure—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Rd. Trichborne Lt. Comdy. &c.

Camp at Pullachey
3d. august 1799—

To. S. R. Lushington Esqr. &a. &c. &a.
Sir,

Ramnad

Please to Order Payment of the enclosed Batta Bill for a Detail of the 6th. Bn. 2d. Regt. employed at Wootapanaig Pollam,—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your obedient Servant
(Signed) Jn. T. Johnson
Lieut. Command.g

Madura
August 1st. 99—

To. R. Grame Esqr. Acting Collector &a. &c.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter which accompanied the Deposed Ramnad Polligars pay for the Month of May & June, which I enclose you his receipts—

I beg leave to enclose you a Petition from a Servant of mine whose Brother was robed of Jewels at Manapar, and he thinks, they may be received if you will have the goodness to direct the Manager to use his exertions for that purpose, which if not an improper request

I beg

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I beg to make to you, and have the Honor to be Sir

Trichinopoly
July 30 1799 -

your Obedient Servant
(Signed) W Kenny Major
Comm.t Trichinopoly

P. S. on enquiry should the Amildar find that any of the Sepoys were concerned you having the goodness to acquaint me will oblige me much -

your obedient
W Kenney

To Major William Kenney Commanding the Garrison of Trichinopoly

The Most Humble Representation of Vencatasawmy -

Most Humbley Sheweth -

That your representation trusting to your honor is sole Benefactor for such poor suffered Creature as your Representation therefore Most humbly and submissively begs leave to lay your Representatives - Grievances at your Honours Gracious feet as to Enquire into the Case and see Justice done -

That your Representatives Brother in law and Relations went from here to Dindegull where your Representative arrived at Manapar on the 26th June was obliged to halt at Manapar, as our intention was to go for a Wedding some Sepoys Belonging to your honor is Stationed there which your Representative and Relations made Bold to Enquire with the Sepoys if there is any Danger to lay there the Sepoys informed that there was no Danger and had a sound sleep being fatigued when your Representative and Relation got up in Readiness to March and found to have the Misfortune of being Robed to the amount of Thirty five Pagodas Jewels -

your Representatives Jewels amounted to 20 star Pag.s your Representatives Brotherinlaw 15 D.o Pag.s - we informed the Sepoys of our loss the Sepoy said that the Country People must have done this which we do not know if it is the Country People or the Sepoy had done -

your Representative and Relations went and and acquainted the Hamildar but he was not there at that time and had no Satisfaction we informed them that this Robbery will address

to

to your honor, in the meantime your Representatives Brotherinlaw ... out of order, which now your Representation makes bold to address to your honour, your Representative being a poor man burdened with a large family -

Therefore your Representative most humbly and submissively Craved to your honor Generosety as to take into your honor serious and Carieded Consideration as to Grant your Representative request with a strong recommendation to the hamildar of that place to see the goods brought to light for which act of humanity and bestowing a charity - as in duty Bound your Representative and family will for Ever be Bound to pray -

Mr. Graeme Acting Collector -

Sir

I have the honor to Acknowledge the receipt of your letter accompanied by a Small Bag Containing 83. Pa. Na. Pag. 9 Chooly fanams & 10 Cash being the amount of the invoice sent in accompanying for which I request you will conside this as my Receipt -

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your obedient Servant
(Signed) Edw. R. Collins Lieut. & Adj.
1st Battn. 13 Regt. N. I.

Trichinopolly
July 29th 1799 -

To Mr. S. R. Lushington
Collector of Assigned Peshcush

Sir
(Circular)

The fusly year being expired I take the liberty of calling your attention to the transmission of the Fusly Statement and other papers required to accompany it Vizt. -

Complete accounts with the Zemindars or Renters for the year

A complete amount of the Collections for the year of each District under the aumanie or the amounts of Teerva -

for other particulars required vide article 46th in the Regulations -

you will be pleased also to submit as early as possible an Establishment of Servants for the ensuing year compared with

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with the past and to be particular in affording explanation on the pension List as prescribed in the 20th article to which I am to request your particular attention—

I am Sir,
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) George Read
A. R. B.

Fort St. George
1st August 1799—

To H. Graeme Esqr. Acting Collector—

Sir,

I send you under charge of the Bearer Naglea... Peons just brought in to tome by Sunkerdeva Sheragar of Toomunumpatty

I have the Honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Thos. Tichborne Lt.
Comg. detachment

Pallachey
5th August 1799

To Mr. H. Graeme
Revenue Department
acting Collector of the Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad—

Sir,

The Board have received the Collector's letter of the 4th Ju... and authorize the acceptance of the offer of Appoo Pillay ... forming the Ramn... Chank fishery at S. Chuckrums 21,735. per annum for one year and the offer of Cadumbolingum Pillay for the Salt and Chay root at S. Chuckrs. 1450 ... per annum for the same period—

Government having directed that the Sayer of Ramna... be retained under Aumany management you will take proper measure... for that branch of Revenue accordingly, and submit the Establishment of Servants requisite—Stating such allowance for the Amildar as you w... think calculated to secure his faith full service—

I am directed to enclose extract of a letter from his Highness the Nabob to Government, with copy of the letter therein alluded to, respecting irregularities committed by the Tinnevelly Poligars and the Board desire you will endeavour as much as the present situation of affairs will allow to afford redress and to preven...

a Repetition

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I am Sir,
your obedient Servant
(Signed) J. B. Travers
for

Fort St. George
30. July 1799.

To H. Greame Esqr. Acting Collector.

Sir,

Herewith you will received Copy of a letter of this date addressed by me to Cole Brown Comg. the Devision on the present Situation of affairs, & containing the last information I have received of the Proceedings of the Poligars.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Thos. Trichborne Lt.
Commanding detachment

Camp at Pallachey
6th. August 1799.

Copy) To Col. Brown Commanding Southern Devision.

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you information was brought to me last Night of a Party of Calagoody Peons having yesterday morning very early plundered Parnally & Pundumpatty which having accomplished they immediately returned to Calagoody carrying several of the Head Inhabitants away with them in confinement. There depredations are spreading farther & farther and have now extended over great part of the Paupancolum Parnally, Comery & Palmarra Talooks the latter of which alone is a source of considerable Revenue to the Company & there insolence & Numbers increas after every expedition converting their newly acquired Spoils into a fresh source of aggression. The leading Poligars concerned in these outrages are those of Naglapoor Calagoody & Pandalumcourchy with several others of inferior Note to be pointed out by the Collector & which are not so much within the Scope of my intelligence Not content with setting the Company's power thus at defiance & ravaging their Country they Harbour & protect their enemies & any man that has shewn himself in any way inimical to the Company's Government brings with him a sure passport to their favor. Since the Suppression of the late disturbance

disturbances in this quarter the two Leaders of the insurgents that escaped (Milapa
& Mootoocurapah Pillay) have found a safe refuge in their Pallams, and being
supplied by their Means with fresh followers, are acting in conjunction with
them in their predatory excursions into the Company's territory. The distress of
the inhabitants from these causes, & the long drought & scarcity that has
prevailed is very great - the principal people daily emigrate or a
carried off prisoners - to be again brought forth - when the Villages to which
they severally belong are again to become the scene of violence, & compelled
by threats & punishment to use their influence in levying fresh contribu-
-tions - such being the case, if relief is not quickly afforded the season
will be too far advanced, before the Country can be restored to a sta
of Tranquility sufficient to enable the Ryots to pursue their agricultural
labours in security - the Revenue of the ensuing Crop in a great degree incon-
-quence lost to the Company, & the Southern & Western parts of the Province
become a Prey to these cruel & rapacious Ruffians - It is but jus
to state that hitherto the Ettiapore & Shevagherry &c Poligars have prudently
forbore from committing any acts of this Nature, by which means they are
become obnoxious to those that have pursued a different Line of Conduct
& who have for some time past by force of arms been endeavouring to draw
the Shevagherry Man into an acquiescence in & participation of
their Measures - If in this Representation I should have overstep
the limits to which an Officer of my Rank may be supposed to be restricted
I trust it will be forgiven from the Motives from which it has origina-
-ted - a Strong sense of & feeling for the distresses I am so frequently made
acquainted with -

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm Treichborne Lt.
Commanding detachments
Rumnad Province

Camp at Pertlachery
5th August 1799

Hn Graeme Esqr

Head Assistant to the Collector of Poligar Peshcush & Ramnad

Sir,

As the Princess Royal may be expected to arrive at Paumbun about the 12th Instant you will be pleased to proceed thither and prepare for their arrival —

For your information I enclose Copy of my Correspondence regarding her cargo, and you will then observe that it is to be recd. by Weight — the Bill of lading signed by Captain Wedgeborough & states the amount of Rice to be in lbs 2073571½ from this is to be deducted the quantity Shipped on Doneys from Negapatam, and which you will understand by reference to Captain Kingsmill who engaged to Superintend the weighing and delivery of it —

If there be as many Doneys at Paumbun as may be required for unloading the Ship — I wish the Rice which is in bags to be sent to Autengerry, Kilkarra & Vullenourm & that which is in bulk to be landed at Paumbum — but if the Ship should reach Paumbum before the Doneys it will be necessary first to land eighty Garce in bags or bulk, according as the Rice may be stowed & the following is the distribution which at present is to be made of the Cargo —

	Garce
To be landed at Paumbum and placed in the Granary there - - -	80. - -
To be sent on Doney to Vullenourm - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	33. " -
To - do - - - do - Kilkarre - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	40. - -
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which is the probable quantity that will remain after that taken out at Negapatam if there

of there should be more you will land it at Paumbum if less you will
Deminish the quantity to be landed there in that degree –

Captain Kingsmill will deliver to you the Company's scales, &c will explain whatever may be Necessary to you in regard to the weighing of the Rice –

The Measures you have taken to secure the timely collection of a Cargo of Salt for the owners of the Ship will I hope be successful, and as the Donies arrive the Salt will be put on board the Princess Princess Royal but if there should be any unexpected delay, you will of course submit entirely to Captain Wedyborough's discretion the expediency or otherwise of waiting the probable period of its arrival this period you own inquires at Paumbum will best enable you to ascertain –

If it should become Necessary for you to leave Paumbum, these instructions are to be delivered to Mr. Kinloch –

I have the honor to be
Sir
your obedient humble Servant
(Signed) S. R. Lushington
Collector

Ramnad
August 7th. 1794 –

To R. Greame Esqr.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your together with 151 P. N. P. 26. Mfans which you will see by enclosed, is 146 Mfs. & 40 Cash less than the full amount of my Abstract I beg leave to observe that (Except the officers batta we draw out batta abstract in Madras fanams and Pay the Troops in the same, the exchange of Pork Nova Pagoda at Tanjore Never exceed 4/38) thirty eight Madras fanams consequently should I receive the P. N. P. at any other exchange I must myself make good the Difference to the Sepoys

I am confident you will perceive I am correct in my Statement

Statement and order payment of the Ballance, when an opportunity offers —

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient humble
Servant

Mayaverum
7 August 1799

(Signed) J Turner Lt.
Commanding
2d Btn. 13th Regt.

	Ss.	Mfs.	Cc
Amount of Lieut. Turners Abstract - - - - - - - - - -	42	3988	40
in all Amounting to - - - - - - - - - -	—	5920	40
	P.N.P.	Mfs	Cash
Received from R. Grame Esqr - - - - - - - - - -	151	36	—
in all Amounting to - - - - - - - - - -	—	5774	—
		Mfs	c
Amount of Lieut. J. Turners Abstract - - - - - - - - - -	—	5920	40
Received by Lieut. Turner from R. Grame Esqr. - - - - - -	—	5774	—
Balance in Lieut. Turners Favour - - - - - - - - - -	—	146	40

Pa. The Star Pagoda is Calculated at the exchange of Forty Six Madras fanams. Po. N. Pagodas at Thirty Eight Madras Fanams —

Amount of Batta Abstract Sent to R. Grame Esqr. By Lieut. J. Turner Star Pagodas Forty two, Madras Fanams Three thousand Nine hundred & Eighty Eight and Cash Forty —

Amount of Money Received from R. Greme Esqr By Lieut. J. Turner Port Nova Pagodas one hundred & Fifty one, & Thirty Six Madras Fanams

A True Statement
J. Turner Lt. &c.

Sir,

The Committee of Police in regulating the Marcal and Measure did not interfere with the Garce — which remain as before Nine thousand two hundred fifty six and a half (9256 1/2) pounds —

I am
Sir
your most Obedient
humble Servant

10 August 99 —

(Signed) Mc Dennis
Clerk of the Market

To Mr. H. Graeme

Acting Collector of the Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad

Sir,

(Circular)

I am directed to transmit to you for your information and guidance Extract of a letter from Government dated the 27th July defining the mode to be observed when the Evidence of Persons who may be reside out of the Jurisdiction of its authority is required by the Court of Recorder —

I am
Sir
your obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Bu Travers
Secy

Fort St. George
3d August 1799

Extract of a Letter from Government Dated 27th July 1799

Having considered the Subject of the Subpoenas issued by the Court of Recorder we are of opinion that the Court cannot compel the attendance of any person over whom it has no Jurisdiction but by the Charter it has no Jurisdiction over the persons summoned from Masulipatam or who may hereafter be summoned from any place not within the limits which have been already defined it cannot therefore compel the attendance of any person so situated

We are further of opinion that to allow the public Servants in the districts beyond the limits of the Recorder's Court to quit their duty upon Subpoenas would establish a precedent liable to much subsequent inconvenience, we therefore direct that in all cases of this Nature the Court may be left to its power of sending a Commission for the examination of such persons as may be beyond the limits of its Jurisdiction but we desire that the

the greatest attention may on all Occasions be paid to the Commissions which may be issued for this purpose by the Court of Recorder—

True Extract
(Signed) W. G. Wright
Lt. Dy

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To H. S. Grame Esqr.
acting Collector Ramnad –

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Hughes Bills for 4000 Pagodas advanced by you for his disbursements –

Bills on Government and in favor of the ... Board of Revenue shall be drawn out and sent to Madras for th... Residents Signature and when returned I shall have the pleas... of transmitting them to you –

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most obedient
Humble Servant
W. R. Irwin
Asst.

Tanjour
8th August 1799 –

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H. Grame Esqr. Acting Collector &c. Ramnad

Sir,

The Circar Monigar has publicly received the three ...garrees Sons people at the catcheree and Established him in the Collectio... of the Cawelds fees in this District –

As I had previously acquainted him these people were in rebellion to the Companies authority he must be considered an Enemy to Government and I wait your instructions to confine him at ... such time when the Country is overran with these Maranders it is ... dangerous that this ~~Man~~ should have any authority in the Distric... I therefore hope you will consider yourself authorized (under such circumstances) to make him Prisoner –

I have the honor to be Sir your obt. Ser...
(Signed) J. Dighton
Commanding Sheolapatoor (Co...

9th August 1799

To Hu. Grame Esqr. Head Assistant to the Collector of Polig.
Pesteush & at Ramnad

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Instructions you received from Mr. Lushington & I shall act accordingly.

I am Sir
your obedient Servant
(Signed) P. Kinloch
2d Assistant

Paumbom
12th August 1799

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Mr Henry Graeme

Assistant Collector at Ramnad

I am directed by the Board to desire you will inform them upon what preinciple you calculate in your letter of the 14th Ult. that a further supply of 80000 Cullums of Grain is requisite for the consumption of the Inhabitants of Ramnad you will also furnish the account Sales of the Supplies you have received from Mr. Torriano which were derected by the Boards orders under date the 1st January to be kept distinct Shewing also the Cost of the Grain when Sold.

I am
Sir
your Obedient Servant
(Signed) J. B. Travers
Secy

Fort St. George
August 6. 1799.

To H. Graeme Esqr. Acting Collector
Ramnad

Sir

I addressed you on the 25 Ult. expecting it would have been delivered to you by a Servant of Albrechts but I now find it was put into the Post office at Tutacoryen, in case that circumstance should have been the reason for my not having received any reply to my request I have made to be furnished with a Passport which I am told agreable to the Orders of Government every European should have when he travells from home, your sending me one by the Bearer agreable to the tenor of that letter will much oblege

Sir
your
most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) J Baxter

Manapar
August 8. 1799.

(Re..

H. S. Greme Esqr. Acting Collector at Ramnade

Sir.

From the inteligence I received from the Shevegary
Poligar about a fortnight ago I was in hopes that the friends of his
Rebellious for had forsaken him or at least that their ardor was
so much cooled that the opportunity of ~~exporting~~ espousing his cause ~~about it~~
had ~~have~~ pass'd however I am sorry to find that actuated by some capa=
=ricious circumstance it has again received and about 2000 Peons
with the son and Maupoly Vannan are actually arrived within
a few Miles of Shevegarry to Support this Bondelly they plunder
all the Country and the situation of the poor Inhabitants is Distres=
=sing indeed —

I have the honor to be
Sir
your obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) J. Dighton
Commanding at Shevelapatoor

Shevelapatoor
7. August 1799 —

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To H. Greme Esqr. Acting Collector —

Sir.

on the Evening of the 15 Instant the Monegar of
Parnally sent me word that at 9 oClock that Morning 300 Calagoody
Peons came there on their Return to Calagoody having on the preceding
night plundered 15 small Villages in the Paupancolum Talook from
whence they brought away with them, 100 Bullockes 300 Sheep & as
much Grain as 100 of them could carry with 50 of the principal
Inhabitants prisoners that after remaining there about an hour,
they proceded on their way to Calagoody when having deposited their
plunder, they returned to Parnally in their way to the assistance
of an other party which had entered the Province in a more
Southerly direction & had been attacked by some of the Companys Peons (people)
belonging to Soilgoody at Tremeleperum Cotah — On sending to the Monegar

to know the reason of his not giving me this information sooner he replied "he was afraid to send Notice before, for if he had the Poligars & would certainly find it out & come & Kill him, as the Village people Minded them More than they did him" The same answer was almost & invariably returned during the late disturbances & if you ask the reason you are told it proceeds from their Knowledge of the Lenity of the Company's Servants, & the cruelty of the Collieries & Poligars, to whom they give the earliest intelligence

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most Obedient
humble Servant
Ths. Tichborne
Commanding detachment

Camp at Pallachy
17th. August 1799—

Notification

Whereas it has came to the Acting Collector's Knowledge that certain Bullock people in Devipatam have refused to assist & Raganautha Pilly Amildar of Calicaud in transporting Paddy from that place to Talooks which he has contracted to supply with Grain— Be it known that such refusal is improper inasmuch as it tends to frustrate the intention of the acting & Collector by leaving the inhabitants of the Talooks destitute of the Means which he had adopted to relieve their distresses and is moreover actuated by an immoderate desire of profit—

It is far from the wish or object of the acting Collector to prohibit the importation of Grain into this Province, or to discourage in any way which can be avoided, the merchants from undertaking their supplies but after due consideration of the afore said circumstances, he thinks it Necessary to give Notice that

that all Bullock Drivers who may deny their aid of Bullocks for which the just rate to the contractor of these will paid by him to in order to convey the grain from Devipatnam to the Talooks of Thickle Paupauncolum Moodoocolatoor Comery aboraumum Caumuncotah Vaindoney and Saligramum and who may be discovered transporting grain purchased from there hands at Davepatnam and selling it in the Talooks at a rate exceeding the companys price of 30 fanams for Cullum, shall suffer loss of their Bullocks, and confiscation of the loads which they carry —

Those who may purchase Paddy at Davepatam and convey it on their heads instead of Bullocks to the Talooks are excepted from this restruction a deviation from which on the part of the Bullocks Drivers one day after the date of this Advertisement shall be noticed in the manner before laid Down —

Ramnad
1799

To H. S. Greeme Esqr. Acting collector

Sir. I enclose you translation of a Complaint against the Wykaud Poligar who in spite of the repeated injunctions of the Collector persists in ill treating the companys weavers —

I am Sir,
your most Obedient Servant

Tinnivelly
18 august 1799

(Signed) Kenworthey
Comm. Resd.

Translation of an Oley from the Mellapollam Gomastah as called acourchy the Wykaud Poligar Coulkurnd chodity Mootos caught companys Broker and Weaver carried them away to Wykaud flogged them demands mony from them and forced them to give their Boards and

besides He has caught another weaver and has him now in confin-
-ment —

To H. Greeme Esqr. Acting Collector

Sir.

Having received information from Colonel Brown that a reinforcement of 300 Sepoys may be expected to join me by the 25th. and 200. More by the 28th. Inst. I have to request that you will give the Necessary directions for Rice being prepared in sufficient quantity for their use — and as it will most probably be expedient on the arrival of this augmentation to devide the Force it is requisite that meansures be taken for supplying them at sent places as may be judged most adviseable for them to occupy —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Trichborne Lt.
Commanding detachment

Camp at Pallachery
August 18th. 1799 —

To H. S. Greame Esqr.
Acting Collector
Ramnad —

Sir.

Herewith I have the honor to forward a set of Bills in favor of the Board of Revenue and in return for the cash advanced by you to the Madura Paymaster for his August disbursements —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) W. Browne
Asst.

Tanjour
16. august 1799 —

Revenue Department

To Mr. Henry Grame -
assistant collector of Poligar Peshcush & Ramnad

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 14th Ult. I am directed by the Board to desire you will retain in strict confinement in irons the two persons concerned in the murder of Letchmanen at Ramessaram the depositions of their guilt should be taken on oath -

The Board sanction the payment of Batta to the 50 additional Peons required by your letter of the 3d. Instant and you will forward an estimates of the expence -

I am Sir,
your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) J. D. Travers
Secy

Fort St. George
18 Augt. 1792

26 Madras 23rd August 1799.

I do not understand that the Committee of Police have made any alteration in the garce, which remains as before Nine thousand two hundred fifty six pounds and a half.

I am
Sir
your very obedient humble Servant
(Signed) Jn. Denes
Clerk of the Market

(Signed) Stephen R. Lushington Esqr.

To Henry Sulivan Graeme Esqr.
acting Collector of Ramnad.

Sir.

The Resident of Tanjoure having instructed me to apply to you for cash for my September Desbursements permit me to request of you the provision of 6000 Pagodas for Palamcotah, and 4000. for Madura.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Robert Hughes
W. Paymaster.

Madura
27. August 1799.

Stephen R. Lushington Esqr. Collector of Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad

Dr.

For 2073.571½ lbs of Rice at 9256½ lbs to a Madras Garce is Madras Garce 224.113 lbs (@ 86.1 Pa. Pr Garce - Star Pagodas - 19265. 3. 20

E.E. for
J. B. Travers.

Fort St. George
23 August 1799.

[illegible] R. Lushington Esqr. Collector of the Poligar Peshcush.
To the Owners of the Ship Princess Royal - Drs.

To freight on Rice W. gtt 2,073.571½ @ 164 tt pr Bag making 12.644
@ 1½ Rupee pr Bag making Rupees 20546½ or at the Exchange fanams

of 350 Rupees f.m/o P. Star Pagt. 5870 - 18 -

Fort St. George 13th Augt. 1799 -

EE &c.

(Signed) Roebuck Abbott &c.

Revenue Department

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To Mr. S. R. Lushington Collector of Poligar Peshcush & Ramnad

Sir.

We enclose for your information and guidance copy of a letter from the Right Honble the Governor General in Council under date the 19th Inst. together with copy of the Instructions to Major Bannerman therein referred to - In calling your most particular attention to that part of the letter which enjoins a Cordial, and zealous cooperation &c between the Civil & Military authority & for giving every aid &c and efficiency in your Power to Major Bannermans Exertions &c We are convinced We only point out that line of Conduct &c which your own disposition, & your conviction of its Importance to the Public Welfare would lead you to pursue & from which &c there is every reason to anticipate. Successful completion of this most important Service -

You will perceive that You are authorized to make such advances to Major Bannerman as he may require and We enclose Draft of a Proclamation to be published by you when &c Major Bannerman may see it necessary we have not inserted &c therein the Names of the refractory but leave it to Major Bannerman & your discretion to do so and to make such other alterations as to your judgements shall appear from local circumstances to be expedient -

Such

Such Pollams as shall be sequestered are to be taken into under your immediate management and you are authorized to employ the servants necessary for that purpose and for ascertaining their resources as soon as may be practicable.

We shall with as little delay as possible submit your report of the 20th Inst. with our observations thereon to Government and shall furnish you with such further instructions relative to the general arrangements to follow the present service as may be resolved upon —

I have
Sir,
your obedient Servants
(Signed) Wm Petrie
(Signed) Chas N. White
(Signed) M. Cockburn
(Signed) W. Harington

Fort St George
21st August 1799

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Secret Department

To William Petrie Esqr
President &ca. Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

We are concerned to observe from the late representations of the Collector of Poligar Peshcush that no sense of the indulgence of the Company's Government nor of their own allegiance has restrained the Poligars during the late temporary absence of the Troops from resorting to their refractory habits, under the administration of the Nabob.

We were sanguine that the spirit of forbearance, conciliation and justice, which was manifested in the late enquiry and decision on the conduct of Catabomanaigue would have inspired the Poligars in general and himself in particular with a better sense of the mildness, and equity of the British administration.

But his refusal to attend the Collector without his followers his delay in the discharge of his Peshcush, and his present actual

actual waging of War against the Sheveghenry Poligar deprives us of all hope of beneficial consequences from the further pursuit of conciliatory measures — We have therefore judged it expedient to assemble a sufficient body of Troops in the Southern Provinces to assert the authority of the company's Government and to punish this wanton provocation of their resentment —

The Command of this detachment We have judged it expedient to entrust to Major John Bannerman and in order that the Collector may be fully apprized of our intentions We enclose for your information a Copy of our instructions to that officer —

In communicating to the Collector these instructions We desire that you will direct him to comply with any applications which he may receive from Major Bannerman for the furtherance of the present Service and as We deem it indispensable to the success of the expedition that the arrangement and orders of that officer should be carried into effect with greatest degree of privateness We have no doubt that Mr Lushington's knowledge of this Necessity as well as his zeal for the public Service will induce him to give the most effectual support to the powers with which Major Bannerman has been invested —

The Success of a similar arrangement for suppressing the commotions in the Tezanagaseem Zemind any induces as to rely with great confidence on the measures now adopted for the restoration of order in the Southern Provinces, and the beneficial consequences of the harmony and cooperation between the collector and the Commanding Officer on that occasion must be too recent in your Memory not to inculcate the expediency of the

of the same temper and conciliation.

We have thought it Necessary to shew the Nature of the Collectors authority to publish through him to the Poligars our resolution for calling for the Military Power, and We accordingly direct that a proclamation for this purpose may be published by the Collector, as soon as that measure shall be Judged expedient by Major Bannerman.

We are
Gentlemen
your most obedient Servants
(Signed) { Clive
W. Petrie
E. W. Fallofield

(True Copy)

(Signed) J. B. Travers

Fort St. George
19th August 1799

Secret Department

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To Major John Bannerman.

Sir,

The rebellious conduct of Catabommanaique Poligar of Pandaulumcourchy having rendered it Necessary to equip a Military Force for the purpose of suppressing the commotions excited by him, the Right Honble the Governor General has resolved to avail himself of this opportunity to carry in to effect the orders of the Honble Court of Directors for disarming the whole of the Southern Poligars and for reducing those in equal as Chieftains to the authority of the Civil Government.

With this view the Commander of the Troops in the Carnatic has been ordered to assemble a sufficient ... from the details of the Detachment under the

58/ the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Brown according to the enclosed copy of his Lordship's instructions to Major General Brathwaite –

The Governor General in Council having great reliance on your experience and zeal, has been pleased to appoint you to the command of this expedition and his Lordship accordingly directs you to proceed to Palamcotah, with the least possible delay, to take upon you the command of the Troops and make such farther dispositions and arrangements as you shall judge necessary to the success of this service –

The first object of your attention is to attack the Fort of Pandaulumcourchy and to dispossess those inferior Poligars who have connected themselves with Catabommanaig in the present defiance of the Company's authority and in the exercise of independent power contrary to his allegiance –

This point having been accomplished which his Lordship hopes may be effected with the greater ease from the openness of the Eastern pollams, you will proceed to take such measures for disarming the Western Poligars and for subjecting them to the regular controul of the Civil Government as you shall judge expedient –

From your experience of the Affairs of the

of the Poligars and from your knowledge of the present state
of the southern Provinces the Governor General in Council
deems it unnecessary to furnish you with any detailed
instructions on the subject but the enclosed Extract of a letter
from the Hon'ble Court of Directors explains the intention of the
Court of Directors explains the intention of the Court and
the present Collector Mr. Stephen Rumbold Lushington
has been ordered to furnish you with all the information
in his possession relative to the conduct of the Poligars
which has produced this Necessity—

The Governor General in Council concludes that the
success of this expeditions will depend on the celerity of your motions
and the prompt and efficient execution of your orders His Lordship
therefore judges it expedient to furnish you with full powers to call for
the all the resources of the Country, and has therefore directed the Collector of
Poligar Peshcush and the Paymaster of Madura to comply with your appli-
-cations, of whatever nature, to the extent of their respective means—

By this latitude his Lordship does not intend that you
should interfere in the details of the Collector's duty but directs you to
use your own discretion in the application of the Military Force under
your command, and as he concludes that a direct communication with
many of the Poligars will be indispensably necessary for the purpose either of
conciliation or intimidation his Lordship authorises you to hold immediate
communication with all or any of the Poligars for these purposes—

In order to render your authority more efficient the Gover-
-nor General in Council thinks it will be expedient to vest you with the Power
to use Military execution against such of the rebellious Poligars and their
followers, as shall be found in open Rebellion and in Arms against the
Authority

Authority of the government, if any examples of this [illegible] to you necessary. his Lordship trusts they will operate to deter the mass of this deluded People from persisting in their Rebellion and his Lordship relies on your temper and charecter, that you will exercise this authority with the greatest degree of Caution and Forbearance—

It will be necessary to intimate to the Poligars all the earliest period the full extent of your powers, their knowledge of that circumstance may probably render measures of extreme & severity less necessary—

having reason to believe that conciliatory measures may also be attended with the best effects his Lordship authorises you to offer such rewards, as you shall judge expedient either for the purpose of detaching persons of consequence from the present league, or of securing the persons of others whom it may be expedient to arrest in the excercise of this power however you will be attentive to Economy & be careful that the object to be accomplished is adequate to the expense to be incurred—

The Collector will be ordered to make any disburse=ment on this account which you shall authorise—

Although it is difficult to define the precise line between the powers now confided to you and those of the Collector, yet as the success of the Public Service materially depends on the cordial cooperation and assistance of each in your respective departments his Lordships trusts that your Prudence will guard against those causes of Jealousy and distrust which have but too often produced a failure where the civil & Military Authorities have been jointly employed in the execution of the same trust— you will of course consider yourself charged with the restoration and support of the civil Power and the Collectors zeal for the Public service, as well as his discretion, will dispose him to afford you all the assistance in his power for the accomplishment of this object or

Whenever

Whenever therefore the measures you may adopt for recalling a Poligar 37
to his duty and allegian shall have been so successful as to supersede
the farther necessity of exercising Military Power you will refer such
Poligar to the Collector for the payment of his arrears, the adjustment
of his accounts & the future arrangement of his Pollam, and in all
cases, in which it may become necessary to sequester the lands of a
Poligar and to expel him enterely from his Pollam, you will lose
no time in placing the districts so sequestered, under the authority of the
Collector and you will afford him all the assistance in your power for
establishing and maintaining the Civil Jurisdiction -

Should Catabommanaig or any other Chief Poligar fall
into your hands it will be necessary to send him immediately to the Presi-
-dency with a sufficient guard for the security of his person -

If before the entire completion of this service it should
from any cause become necessary for you to quit the Detachment the
Governor General in Council directs you to make such arrangement as
may requisite for placing the troops under the command of Captain
Robert Turing, in whose integrity and spirit his Lordship places
the most implicit confidence With this view his Lordship has ordered
Captain Turing to proceed to Palamcotah from the Grand Army and
you will in the meantime employ him in such manner as you
shall judge most advantageous to the Public Service -

His Lordship also authorises you to appoint such temporary
staff as may be necessary for conducting the details of the Detachment -

The Board of Revenue have been furnished with a copy of
these instructions, and directed to publish a Proclamation, under the Autho-
-rity of the Collector, notifying to the Poligars the powers with which you have
been vested, and I enclose for your information a copy of his Lordships
orders

orders to the Board of Revenue —

During the continuance of this service it will be necessary for you to correspond directly with his Lordship through me, referring to the Commander of the Troops in the carnatic such points as relate to Military Detail —

I am &c &c &c

(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Govt.

Fort St. George
19th August 1799

(true Copy)
(Signed) G. Buchan
Sub. Secy.

(true Copy)
(Signed) J. D. Travers
Secy

16.

To all Poligars Landholders and Inhabitants of every description within the Countries Commonly called the Tinnevelly Pollams

Whereas repeated admonitions were given by me to several of the Tinnevelly Poligars during the late Hostilities against the Deceased Tippoo Sultaun, that by persisting to withhold the Peshcush and to be otherwise disobedient they would draw upon themselves the severest displeasure of Government yet notwithstanding such admonition and unmindful of the punishment inflicted upon those Poligars, who had been refractory during former Wars — certain of them had the Tinnevelly to continue in their contumacy and to set the Company's Power at defiance by committing depredations disturbing the Tranquillity of the Country, and wantonly — murdering the Peaceable Inhabitants. Now be it known that these admonitions and the total disregard of them having been made known to the Right Honble the Governor General in council. his Lordship has observed with extreme concern that no sense of the Indulgence of the Company's Government nor of their own allegiance was of effect to restrain the Poligars during the late temporary — absence of the Troops from reverting to their refractory habits —

The Right Honble the Governor General was &
sanguine that the spirit of forbearance, conciliation and justice &
which was manifested in the late enquiry and decision on the conduct
of Cattabommanaigue would have inspired him in particular
and the Poligars in General with a better sense of the mildness
& equity of the British administration But his refusal to
attend the Collector without his armed followers, his delay &
in the discharge of his Peshcush, and his present actual levying
of War against the Shevegherry Poligar in conjunction with
other contumaceous Persons. Deprives the Right Honble the
Governor General in Council of all hopes of Beneficial Consequen-
ces from the further pursuit of conciliatory measures towards him
or them —

His Lordship has therefore judged it expedient
to assemble a sufficient Body of Troops in the southern Province to &
assert the supremacy of the Company's Government and to punish
this wanton provocation of their displeasure - The Command of this
detachment has been entrusted to Major John Bannerman and
in order to render his authority the more efficient the Right &
Honble the Governor General in Council has thought it expedient
to vest him with the power to use Military execution against &
such of the Rebellious Poligars and their followers as shall be found
in open Rebellion and in arms against the authority of Govern-
-ment —

All Persons are therefore hereby solemnly warned
that if any shall be so deluded as to persist in them disobedience
of rebellion this power of inflicting Death will be used with the
utmost

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rigour whilst those obedient to the orders of Government and who remain quietly within their own Villages may rely on the fullest protection —

It is hereby declared that all Poligars are held responsible for the good conduct of all descriptions of People belonging to their respective Pollams and that they do not act in any respect against the Companys authority or in any manner Disturb the peace of the Country after the publication of this Proclamation —

Be it further known to all Polligars Sheragars Land holders & Inhabitants in the Pollams of Tinnevelly that Major Bannerman has authority to communicate with and issue such orders must be obeyed with the utmost promptitude and the Collector will refuse all intercourse with such Poligars as have already proved or may hereafter prove refractory until Major Bannerman shall have reported to the Collector their return to a state of order and obedience —

By order of the Board of Revenue
J Webb Ayton

True copy
(Signed) Jn B Travers
Secy

Revenue Department

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To M^r. H. Greame

Ass^t. Collector in the Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad.

Sir,

(Circular)

The Board having had occasion lately to address Government on the subject of delay in transmitting some accounts herewith enclose you the following reply of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council at the same time I am directed to express that the complaint in question did not allude to your station and that the accountant has reported the readiness shewn by the collectors with all exception in the transmission of their accounts for the preceding Official year. Having however stated the orders of the Honble Court of Directors on this subject and having declared our unequivocal resolution to inforce them we think its necessary to explain that the Monthly accounts of each Collector is to be transmitted on the day prescribed by the regulations precisely in the state in which the affairs of his District may stand at that period. We look upon the execution of this order to be attended with so little practical difficulty that we direct you to acquaint each Collector that we shall not hesitate to remove them from their respective Stations upon the very first offence after the receipt of this explanation.

I am
Sir,
your Obedient Servant
M. B. Travers
Secy

Fort S^t. George
20^t. August 1799.

Revenue Department

Revenue Department

To Mr. H. Greame

Asst. Collector in the Poligars Peshcush at

Ramnad

Sir,

By desire of the Board you will herewith receive Copy of your Register of Bills for the months of June & July a properly authenticated which is to save as an acknowledgement of the Bills transmitted in the course of those months with such remarks annexed as appear necessary for your information respecting them –

I am
Sir,
your most obedient servant

(Signed) W. Wright
at. fif

Fort St. George
20 August 1799

To H. S. Greame Esqr.

Acting Collector of the Poligar Peshcush &c. &c.

Sir,

Permit me to request of you the supply of an additional Eight thousand Pagodas for the use of the Detachment now assembling for Field service in the Tinnevelly and which I beg you will forward to Madura if you do not consider the Road to Tinnevelly to be perfectly safe when the cash may be ready to be dispatched –

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your Obedient Servant

(Signed) Robt. Hughes
N/ Paymaster

Madura
28 August 1799 –

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To Henry Sulivan Greeme Esqre.

Acting Collector of the Poligar Peshcush and District of Ramnad

Sir,

Understanding from Major Bannerman that I may look to you for supplies of Rice for the use of the detachment assembling under his command I have the Honor to acquaint you that I have received his Instructions to collect a supply of Bullocks be procure to such Place or Places as you may acquaint me I can be furnished with it and shall therefore be much obliged by information from you on the subject as well as of the quantities ready at each Place as expeditiously as possible —

I have the Honor to be
Sir,
your very Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Robt. Hughes

Madura
28t. August 1799 —

To H. S. Greame Esqre.

Acting Collector

Sir

I enclose you a second complaint against the Wyhad Poligar & am — Sir,
your most obedient Servant

Tinnevelly
25t. August 1799 —

Translation of an Oly from the Mellapollam Gomastah

Before

I before wrote to you that the Wykaud Poligars Man Chodely Mootoo was making trouble with the Company's weavers at Calledy Courchy and you informed me that you complained to Ramnad now the same moniagar Chodely Mootoo having Collected ten pike Men and pointing out the Weavers from whom He had forced Bonds insists upon their giving the mony on account of this trouble the Weavers have stopped all the Looms & have run away the Companys Cloth is not coming in neither can the Balance be Collected –

To the Acting Collector
H. Grame Esqr.
at Ramnad

Sir.

Not having received any answer to our Memorial to Government we a[re] rather apprehensive that we may be called away with a Short notice, and by that means shall be obliged to suffer a great loss by the advantage the natives here have taken to whom we have advanced sums for Jaggery &c and who now hearing me move ordered to the Presidency, are doing all in their power to evade the payment – on the Receipt of Governments order to hold ourselves in readiness and finding but little prospect of getting the articles for which we had advanced sums – and unwilling to give you any trouble on the occasion, we offered to receive back the cast, and forego the profit we ought to have had if paid in the commodeties agreed for but even this offer had no weight with the debtors, who fearing wished apply for Justice, and with a hope of avading the payment altogether by keeping out of sight till we are gone, most of them

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of them have disapproved for some time past and being now left without the least prospect of even receiving any part of our property except though the medium of your interferance will we hope & apologize for our taking the liberty of troubling you on the subject and requesting the favor of you to give such orders to your people acting in this neighbourhood for receiving the diffesent sums due to us, of which we take the liberty of sending a List & Containing the names of the debtors and the sums due and we much hope when the debtors find you have been kind enough to undertake the recovery of them they conceive it useless to conceal themselves any longer

I remain
Sir,
your humble and most
Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Grattain

Manapara
27 August 1799

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Asst. Collector

Sir,

I learn from Mr. Lushington that he has transmitted to you a sealed paper which on my Application is to be opened, & which on receipt of this I request you will do, you will find it a Proclamation to the Tinnevelly Poligars which I beg of you to have translated & Circulated to them Severally, agreeably to the Instructions you have received. I wish them to be Dispatched from your Cutcherry on the 2d. September ensuing.

I am very Desirous of an alteration in two Paragraphs

of the Proclamation Viz^t The Paragraph beginning with the words His Lordship has therefore judged it expedient" to be closed with the words "to use Military Execution" leaving out entirely Against Such of the rebel-lious Poligars & their followers as Shall be found in open rebellion & in Arms against the authority of Government — The Next Paragraph be-ginning all Persons" & ending fullest Protection" I wish to be written as follows "All Persons are therefore hereby Solemnly warned to for-bear from acts of Disobedience & rebellion as the power of inflicting Death will be used with the utmost regour— By these alterations I am left at liberty to take Cognizance of the past as well as to inflict Punishment on those who may persevere in Disobedience & rebellion which I cannot doubt of being the Spirit & extent of my Commission—

As I have fixed on the 2^d of September for Commencing my March to Cayalamcourchy I request that on that Day you will despatch for that place Such Supplies of Grain & Provisions as you may have in readiness for the use of the Detachment. I shall direct three Companies of Sepoys to march from Comary & proceed to Choilgoody on the 2^d Septr then to remain untill the Supplies from Ramnad join them when they will proceed to Camp. I beg of you to address a Note to the officer Com-manding the 3 Companies at Choilgoody that he may proceed so soon as the Bullocks &c^a may join him —

The Accompanying letter for Lieu^t Tichbourne I request you will forward expeditiously & by a hasty Hircarrah I leave it open that you may know the tenor of the orders Given —

I am Sir &c &c

Signed) D. Bannerman

Pollamcottah
30^t August 1799

To Henry Sulivan Grame Esqr
Acting Collector at Ramnad

Sir

I have been favoured with yours of the 29^t and have the pleasure to acquaint you that I have already collected four hundred Bullocks which will proceed the moment that Gunny Bags can be made

for

for them, and which I trust will be finished within a day or two.

The Madura Country beginning to suffer also in a very serious degree indeed from the want of Straw and forage, I fear the Bullock people will be able to provide themselves with but little, tho' every injunction shall be given that they take as much as possible a Bullock cannot convey for itself more than four or five days provender, so, that the relief would not be considerable, and as they cannot be expected to provide themselves with spare Bullocks for this purpose at their own expence, so on the other hand, the Company's Regulations would not allow of any additional Number on the Score of conveying Straw, even if it was in our power to provide them with it in any quantity, and the distress of the Season is so great, that I beg leave to assure you, it is felt alike throughout under these Circumstances therefore you might not perhaps think it expedient to have a larger Number sent down to you, but I shall use every exertion for the dispatch of any further number you may require, besides the first four hundred so soon as I have compleated what is wanted to convey Rice from Madura.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

Madura
31st August 1799.

(Signed) Robert Hughes
Paymaster

To H. S. Grame Esqr.
Acting Collector Ramnad

Sir,

Herewith I have the honor to inclose a Sett of Bills in favour of the Board of Revenue and in return for the Cash advanced by you to the Madura Paymaster

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

Tonjour
30th August 1799.

(Signed) Irwin
A.P.

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector &c. Ramnad

Sir,

I have the pleasure to enclose you the Batta Abstract for the Black Doctor attending the Detachment at Wentapah Naigs Pollams.

I am &c. &c.

Madura

(Signed) H. M. Smith

To Henry Sulivan Graeme Esq.r

Acting Collector of the Poligar Peshcush

at Ramnad

Sir,

Under the Charge of the returning Treasure Guard I have despatched 400 Carriage Bullocks with Maistries Drivers and Gunnies, and have requested of the Commanding Officer on their Arrival at Ramnad to have them Mustered and then to be at your disposal —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

Madura

3. September 1799.

Signed Robert Hughes

Paymaster

To Henry Sulivan Grame Esq.r

Acting Collector of the Peshcush at Ramnad

Sir,

After despatching about three hundred Bullocks direct from this South, and which will be done very soon, every expedition Shall be made in collecting a further Set for Ramnad, beside the four hundred already despatched and which I understand to be your wish from your favor of the 2.d

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) Robert Hughes
Paymaster

Madura
4.th September 1799.

H. Grame Esq.r Acting Collector

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you of my arrival at Choilgoody, at which place agreeably to Major Bannerman's Order, I am to remain, till a Supply of Rice &c. joins me, for his Detachment — I have therefore to request you will give orders for its being forwarded to me so as to occasion as little Delay as possible to my Detachment —

Lieutenant Tichborne no doubt informed you, I carried from Parlachy five days provisions for my Detachment before the expenditure of which you will no doubt take Measures to furnish a fresh Supply —

If you can inform me when the Supplies for Major Bannerman will reach this I will be obliged

I have the Honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) J Turner Lieu.t
Commanding Detach.t 2.d B.n 3.d R.

Camp at
Choilgoody 2.d Sep.r 1799.

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S. Lushington Esqr.

Collector Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor of receiving yours you may rest assured, that I shall exert myself to the utmost in proceeding Craft to carry the Rice for the Public Service with all convenient despatch –

Nagapatam
2d September 1799 –

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) Yay
Master Attendant

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Sir,

We have Discharged and furnished with five Donies this Evening They have taken Bengal Baggs 3420. or Madras Garce Fifty four The Ship now Draws Nineteen foot and four Inches 19. 04. Tomorrow we Begin again and by what I can guess we will be Obliged to take out 1500 Baggs more to Bring the Ships Draught to Eighteen feet 18 I hope you will not be Displeased with this Alteration Indeed to Resque the Ship Drawing more water would bee Madness Mr Thompson has Supplied one thousand Empty Gunny Baggs to fill the Loose Rice in the Hold. I hope we will be ready to Sail the 11th in the Evening

Ship Princess Royal
Nagapatam Septr 7th 1799

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Kingsmill

S. Lushington Esqr
Collector

Sir,

As it is of Consequence to the Public Service that the means of Speedy communication be established between us I request that you will place tappal peons for this purpose between Ramnad & the Detachment

Payalumcourchy
6th September 1799

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) D. Bannerman
Major Commanding

To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr
Collector &c. Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 6th Current containing an Extract of a letter from Government, dated the 4th of July 1799 intimating that Orders would be Sent to the Officer Com-manding at Madura to apprehend the Person of Gopaula Kistna, the late Tahsildar of Shapatoor. which would most Certainly have been complied with, had I received them: but your letter, is the first and only intimation I have had on the Subject. Gopaula Kistna is not at present at Madura but from every Information I can Obtain. I understand he is at Trichenopoly

Madura
7th September 1799

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) N. M. Smith
Lieutenant Commanding
at Madura

To

H. Græme Esqr.

Acting Collector Ramnad

Sir,

I am infinitely obliged to you for your Letter of the 30th ultimo; and for your ready Compliance with my Request. The Man I sent for is arrived, & I beg leave to Solicit your Assistance in procuring another, of the Name of Kistna lately arrived at Ramnad from this Island.

I believe that he also is in the Fort, & have therefore written on the Subject to Colonel Martinz.

Arripo 5th Septr. 1799.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) Frederic North

P. S.

I will also request that Veeracoomaren Pilly, Sumperdy of the Pearl Fishery, Sam Chitty Shroff, & Armogam Pilly a man who acted under the Amildar Kistanama Naick May be sent me with their accounts

(Signed) F. N.

To Henry Sulivan Græme Esqr.

Acting Collector of the Poligar Peshcush at Ramnad

Sir,

As consulting with Major Bannerman respecting Supplies of Rice from the Ramnad Country for the use of his Detachment, we have considered from the abundant Supply collecting at Vypar, that no more than the 400 Bul-locks first dispatched you from Madura may be requisite from that Quarter in addition to the number you may have procured yourself in the Ramnad District. From the present probable movements of the Detachment Major Bannerman is of opinion that these Bullocks together with such as are transporting Rice from Madura will be fully adequate to keep the Detachment well Supplied.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) G. Hughes
acting for R. Hughes
Paymaster

In Camp at
Payalumcourchy
7th September 1799.

Duplicate

Lieutenant Turner or Officer Commanding a Detachment
2nd Bn. 13th Regt. N. I.

Sir,

Should the Convoy of Provisions from Ramnad and intended for

82 for the use of this Detachment have joined you at Sheelgoody you will give directions for the People in Charge of the Grain &c. to return to Cadoogoonudy or Chickle, which ever may have best accommodation for the Grain. — Having given these directions you will proceed and join me with the three Companies under your Command at Panjalumcourchy. — Keeping at a respectable distance from the Fort Which is Still in Possession of the Poligar.

Should the Convoy of Provisions not have joined you, you will give the Necessary Orders that it may not follow but to remain at Cadoogoonudy or Chickle. — I am very   that you should join me as soon as possible, you will proceed by the Route of Vyppar. —

Panjalumcourchy
6th September 1799.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) D. Bannerman
Major

P.S.

If you have time to send a Copy of this to the Collector or the letter itself you will Oblige me —

D.B.

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To S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector

I had the honor to receive your letter of the 9th Yesterday Morning, and shortly after Major Bannermans orders to proceed here with half the detail at Pallachy. I have now joined the 1st Bn 3d Regt N. I. Major Bannerman will no doubt acquaint you with the Orders he has given to the Soubidar in Charge of the force remaining at Pallachy.—

Camp at Naglepoor
11th September 1799.—

I have the Honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) Thos Tichborne Lieut
1st Bn 3d Regt N.

To Stephen Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad

Sir,

The Amildar has reported to me that the Choultry where part of the grain is to be stored requires repair which being contrary to the report made to Mr. Grame I proceeded there this Morning and directed them to throw water on the roof it proved to be leaky in several places and to secure it against the rain will require some chunam to be put on the roof and likewise some Mats to prevent the rain getting in at the sides - as Mr. Grame did not order this repair I have to request your sanction if you think it requisite — The Mats for the Doneys have not yet arrived nor have I yet received any information where the live stock for the Ship is to be sent from I find from enquiry no orders have been sent to this place concerning them, also the price mentioned in my instructions are from 3 to 4 Sheep the Pagoda the current price here is 3 for a Pagoda — the Amildar has likewise reported to me there is no Mundy belonging to the Company at Vallinoncum there is only a godown which belongs to a Native, if it should be in good repair and the owner willing to rent it I would recommend that the rice be put into it as it is reported to be sufficiently large to contain the quantity to be exported to that place should this suggestion not meet with your approbation I shall wait your orders how to proceed with respect to the rice to be sent there. The Godown at this place will hold from 55 to 70 Garce out of the eighty to be landed at Camben is repaired & ready for the reception of the rice — I have 13 Doneys lying here ready to unlaid the Ship which will contain altogether about 50 Garce four more Doneys which would have contained 14 Garce was also here but the Amildar having reported that the

salt

Salt contractor had not sufficient Doneys for the purpose of sending the quan-
-tity contracted for to Paumben I dispatched these four to him — nothing
is yet settled respecting the freight to Keelkurra, Vallinocum & Autenguerry
as I am waiting for Mr. Pawneys settlement of the freight to different
Ports, — One Doney of Salt is just arrived and reports she accompanied
fourteen others a boat has just arrived containing 63 Sheep 126 fowls 870.
Eggs the latter article I cannot take on myself to say can be preserved until the
Ship arrives, the Sheep & fowls are very poor. I have given directions for their
being fed the charges of which will be placed to the Captains account, I have
also received the Scales, I hope you will favor me with an answer soon as the
expected period of the Ships arrival has almost expired —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

Paumben
11th September 99.

(Signed) P. Kinloch
2nd Assistant

P.S.

A Doney has arrived from Nagapatam which it left 10 days
ago the Serong knows nothing about the Ship, I suppose it had sailed previous
to that period — the Doney belongs to a Native Merchant and is bound to
Coilpatam.

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.

Collector at Ramnad &c. &c.

Sir,

I have the pleasure to inform you, this Morning the Ship Prince
Royal Captain Wedgeborough sailed from this Port for Palk's Straights.

I have received from Mr. Thompson on your account the Sum of P. N.
Pagodas Four hundred and forty one Eleven Gold fanams and thirteen
Cash being the Amount of Half of the freight of the Tonnage Engaged, Inclu-
-ding the Charges of Transporting the Rice from the Ship to the Different
Doneys

The Owners of the Doneys that is Bound to Vipar Dreads the Charges
that may be laid on their Boats at Paumben but as they are Engaged on the
Public Service be so good as for to give the Necessary Orders that they may not
be intercepted on their return there accompanies the Ship Two Cattamaran
and Chellenga of Five Tons Burden well mand the Bills of Lading were

made out by Captain Hengemill Each Bill certifying by the Tindal of the Boat the Quantity of Grain he has received and the amount of Cash the Half Freight –

I am &c. &c.

Nagapatam
2nd September 1799 –

(Signed) W. Gay
Master Attendant

To Stephen Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad

Sir,

I have this day dispatched to Devipatam Consigned to you on a Doney Twenty five Madras Garce of Paddy. Enclosed the Duplicate Invoice and the Receipt given by the Tindal –

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

Nagoor
September 1799 –

(Signed) F. A. Grant
Resident –

H. Greme Esqr.
Acting Collector &c. &c. &c.
Ramnad

Sir,

In Addition to the Persons whom I thought Myself obliged to request you to send me by my Letter of yesterday, I must mention Cauder Saib a Mussulman of Tondi, who acted as Peshcar at the late Fishery, I must beg you, Sir, to Send Him with all his Papers, under a Gaurd to Columbo, as soon as you conveniently can,

I have the Honor to be &c. &c.

Modergamme
6th September 1799 –

(Signed) Frederic North

To Mr. H. S. Greme
Acting Collector at Ramnad

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter of the 28th Ultimo, and to inform you the Board sanction the usual Batta to the Sepoys and Peons therein mentioned. –

I am further directed to enclose Extract of a letter from the Collector at Dindigul and to desire you will endeavour to ascertain the

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the truth of the report of Chinna Murdoo having rented of the Madura Manager the Ancoor Nauts.

Fort St. George
7th September 1799.

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) J. B. Travers
Secretary

Extract of letter from Mr. Hurdis
Dated 22d. August 1799.

I cannot close my letter without mentioning a circumstance just come to my knowledge from two different authorities, Vizt. that the Chinna Murdoo has rented of the Madura Manager the Ancoor Nauts, and that (his) the Poligars people have possession of them - how far the Poligar becoming an under renter to the Nabob's people may appear proper to the Board I know not, but I am well aware of the increase of difficulty in the preservation of property to the Dindigul Ryots, the participation of plunder between the Poligar and the Collery is more liberal than between the Nabob's Amildars and those people, and thence the plundering parties more numerous and irruptions more frequent.

(A true Extract)
(Signed) W. G. Wright
Assistant Dy. Secretary

Sir

I am concerned to inform you that the strong Southerly Winds and Northerly Currents which now prevail precludes all hope of our reaching the Gulf in time for us to deliver our present Cargo and receive another before the Monsoon - we left Negapatam yesterday morning and after one day working to windward gained only 5 miles, to day it has blown so hard and the Current has been so strong that we have been obliged to remain at Anchor for fear of losing ground should we have attempted to get under way - Under these unfavorable circumstances I wrote Captain Kingsmill for his opinion as to the practicability of the ships reaching her destination and finally leaving it with a Cargo of Salt before the Monsoon - his answer I do myself the honor to enclose - By his Statement it appears that it will cost 1000 Pagodas to send the Rice in Doneys from Nega-
-patnam

Nagapatnam to the different places in the Gulf you may wish to have it delivered at and that if the Ship has been so fortunate as to reach Pambon or Tondy 200 Pagodas would have defrayed the expence of Doney hire the difference I have no doubt my Owners will pay with pleasure as it is of the utmost consequence to them, that the Ship should quit the Coast before the Monsoon sets in – Captain Kingsmill has promised to have the goodness to superintend the delivery of the rice on your account untill we have the pleasure of hearing from you, and receive your instructions relative to the places you would wish it to be delivered at &c. &c. – It is true the Donies will not be able to reach the Gulf for some days, however after the Equinox the communication will no doubt be open –

I hope Dear Sir, when you consider the peculiar situation we are placed in, being so much pressed for time, that the measure I have adopted will meet your approbation, and

have the honor to be &c. &c.

Signed, John Wedgbrough –

Princess Royal standing
into Negapatnam roads
3d September 1799

To
Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr.

Dear Sir,

I have been this moment favored with your letter and beg leave to Inform you the winds that has prevailed since we left Madrass are very unusual on this Coast at this time of the year, and from the present Appearance of the weather we have no Right to Suppose there will be a Change untill the full moon is over While the Winds keep in this Direction the Current will keep Running to the North end. I will Guess we may be at point Pedro in four Days that is to Say if the wind will Moderate – When we Come to point Pedro we cannot Start from thence until the Whether is very fair as the Coast Swell will prevent our Proceeding up the Gulf. four fathom is in Several places where we have to Pass –

This Circumstances I related to you I believe in Madras – the length of time I realy cannot tell and Iam of Oppinion it is more than any man Can Guess at when the Ship will Arrive at Pambon – If you are Detained to part your Cargo on Shore in the Gulf it will take your fifteen days and this will be great Despatch. How are you to come out again – you will the nex full Moon have Easterly Winds and with these Winds you would make but a bad hand of it – I will not Say the sloop Cant go to the place we are bound.

Paumbam

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Paumbon – I am very Clear of the Depth of Water we will find as I have had the same many time but I must Confess the Swell is very great and Hollow and he or they that pass through must be very Careful and not to be Straitened for time especially in a heavy Ship. Pray would it not be more prudent to send the Rice in Donies from Nagapatnam. One thousand Pagodas will Defray the Expence. Should we Proceed and get to Paumbon the Boat hire will be Five hundred Pagodas from the Ship to the Shore for Landing the Rice. Should any Accident of Dreving in any of the Channels we have to pass through happen the Consequence would be the Ship would Ground and of Course be very Disagreeable and Realy the Risque is by a great deal more than the expence of sending the Rice in Donies –

I am &c &c

(Signed) J. Kingsmill

Nagapatanam Fly Staff
Being North West in 9 fathom
Water September 13th 1799 –

Account of Rice Shipt from the Princess Royal from the 4th of September to the 10th of September Including 1799

Donies Names		Number of Baggs	Cwts	qrs	lbs	Amount in Pounds	Half Freight paid P.			
Lichema	1	1320	1526	3	18	171013	66	4	12	
Jane	2	900	1082	2	14	121254	46	14	..	
Ada Lichame	3	540	651	0	26	72938	28	3	18	
Saint Anthone	4	780	969	1	18	108574	42	..	..	
Bon Voyage	5	660	807	1	..	90412	35	..	..	
Chondatory	6	[illegible]	740	2	10	82946	32	1	..	
Mera Medit	7	540	747	3	25	83773	32	6	12	
Momet Bux	8	660	890	2	11	99747	39	3	..	
Menack	9	420	529	2	23	59327	22	16	..	
9 Donies		6420	7946	1	4	889984	344	12	18	Total
Mera Modeum		600	750	2	24	83968	32	8	10	
Allamollo Manjo		420	571	1	6	63986	24	12	16	
Auda Caudor		600	786	1	24	88084	34	..	..	
Hambeer		1320	1707	3	23	191291	73	9	..	
Lichamadivit		900	1187	2	19	133019	51	6	..	
Shake Mera		840	1084	2	14	121474	46	16	..	
Rawatanina		240	310	3	13	34817	13	8	5	
Meera Medit Combo		840	1090	2	25	122161	47	3	12	
Cauda Munjay		1020	1374	3	21	153993	59	8	..	
Nina Ravatan		740	713	..	20	79876	30	15	..	
Currata Tombie		600	1182	..	8	132392	51	2	..	
11 Donies		8220	10760	2	1	1205065	464	16	19	Total

(Signed) J. Kingsmill

Sir

Inclosed is Ten Bills of Lading for the Donies that are Despatched to you this day Amounting to Bengal Baggs of Rice 5487 of 164 lbs Each Bagg all in good Condition, Needles and Twine I have given each Doney to Sew the Broken Baggs. Mr Thompson Supplied us with 1000 Empty Baggs to fill the loose Rice that was in the Hold. When you Send the Boats to unload the Ship in the Gulf Empty Baggs please to Send as there is 5000 Baggs of loose Rice now in the Hold Twine I now carry on board to Sew the Baggs your Baggage is in a Small Doney and that of Mr Kinlocks we Sail this Night and now Draw 18 foot Water—

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Kingsmill

Nagapatnam
11th September 1799

J. R. Lushington Esqr. Dr.

1799			P. N. P.	fa.	C.
Septr.	4th	To 3 Boats sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal Captn. Wedgeborough to Different Donies in the Roads at 10 G. fa. per Trip	1	11	20
		To 11 half Trips Employed as above mentioned @ 5 fa. per half Trip	3	..	12
	5	To 3 Boats sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Donies in the Roads	1	11	20
		To 18 half Trips Employed as above mentioned @ 5 fan. per half Trip	4	17	8
	6	To 3 Boats Sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Donies in the Roads	1	11	20
		To 19 half Trips Employed as above mentioned @ 5 fan. per half Trip	5	4	4
	7	To 3 Boats Sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Donies in the Roads	1	11	20
		To 21 half Trips Employed as above mentioned @ 5 fan. per half Trip	5	14	4
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	9	To 3 Boats Sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Donies in the Roads	1	11	20
		To 17 half Trips Employed as above mentioned @ 5 fanams per half Trip	4	12	8
	10	To 3 Boats Sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Donies in the Roads at 10 G. fan. per Trip	1	11	20
		To 10 half Trips Employed as above mentioned @ 5 fan. per half Trip	2	14	"
		To 1 Boat from this Port to Land Mr. Lushington from the Ship Princess Royal Lying off Nagoor Roads P. N. Pagodas	1	"	"
	11th	To 2 Cattamarans to attend the Princess Royal to Palk Straights @ 3 Pagodas & 10 fanams per each	7	1	20
		To a Single Chellinga likewise to attend P. N. Pagodas	25	"	"
		P. N. Pags.	74	8	1

Nagapatanam
11th September 1799

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Contents Received
(Signed) M Gay
Master Attendant

Examined
J. Kingsmill

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A List of the Donies Employed to Carry Grain to Davy patnam Numboodally & Vipiar at the rate of 7½ P. N. Pag. per Madras Garce Half Freight paid here

	Donies Names	Tindels Names	Quantity of Pounds	Madras Garce	Pounds	P. N. P.	fa.	Cash
Doney	Jane	Pirra Tomby Tindel	123054	12½	54	46	14	..
Do.	Bom Voyage	Deverayum Do.	91732	9 ..	3172	35	..	..
Do.	St. Antonie	Maliapen Do.	110134	11 ..	334	42	..	..
Do.	Mahomet Box	Sheena Hibram Do.	102827	10 ..	1507 ..	39	3	..
Do.	Merah Madet	Casdah Lebey Do.	74018	7 ..	5053	28	3	17
Do.	Letchema	Abdool Cauder Do.	173613	17 ..	3733	66	4	12
Do.	Addy Letchema	Merah Nainah Do.	84853	7 ..	4050	32	6	12
Do.	Chindatorry	Arroquiom Do.	84146	8 ..	4226	32	1	..
Do.	Menachey	Adenganny Do.	60167	6 ..	287 ..	22	16	..
Do.	Alahuin Casel	Schegoo Do.	Baggage	6 ..		22	9	..
					P. N. Pag.s	367	3	1[illegible]
		The Amount	of Boat	Bills	P. N. Pag.s	74	8	1[illegible]
					Grand Total	441	11	1[illegible]

Nagapatnam

12th September 1799

Signed M Gay

Master Attendant

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To Mr. H. Grame

Asst. Collector

Ramnad

Sir

The Board have received your letter of the 27th Ultimo and direct me to inform you that by the orders sent you on the 20th Ultimo it is meant that the state of the Collections &c. should be shewn as they stand at the close of each Month —

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) J. B. Travers

Secretary

Fort St. George

8th September 1799 —

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To Mr. S. R. Lushington

Collector of Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad

Sir

I am directed by the Board to inform you they sanction the payment of Batta to the Guard noticed in your Assistants letter of the 30th Ultimo to have been sent with Nagapalinguim Pelly at the request of his Excellency the Governor of Ceylon — in requesting the Boards sanction for any disbursement you will invariably state the amount if ascertained if not the Estimated amount explaining why the exact sum cannot be stated —

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) J. B. Travers
Secretary

Fort St. George
1st September 1799

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Stephen Lushington Esqr.

Collector of Southern Peshcush

Sir

The Assistance given by the Yellamoody Poligar — to Nulla dador Poosaury Naigue has often been the subject of Complaint to you — and although you have been kind enough to exert your authority in prevention of its continuance it has been without effect —

My Peons have been fortunate enough to drive him out of the Dindigul Mountains — to secure his principal followers and by keeping a strong party at his place of refuge to force him to his father and Coadjutor — Yellamoody —

I have to beg of you to cause him to be delivered over to me — but as I am well aware the Yellamoody Poligar will evade your orders — and as my people know Poojaury Naigues haunts — I have to beg the favor of you to permit my Peons going and seizing him in any manner they can — the Murders — he has committed — the predatory excursions he has headed — & the Villages Corwoy putty & Gungawarputty he and his people fired — call upon us to lay aside British lenity — and substitute severity — Should you accede to my wishes I would beg of you to send two people whom you can confide in to report progress to you —

I wish also for your strongest Takeed to Yellamoody — prohibiting his assistance if only to avoid bad consequences — as I am well convinced many lives might be lost if either Yellamoody or his people opposed

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my peons in the execution of their duty - to avoid which I make this application to you

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis
Collector

Dindigul
15th September 1799.

To S. R. Lushington Esq.
&c. &c. &c.

Sir

I have the honor to transmit to you, herewith enclosed, an authenticated copy of a translation of the Proclamation, which, in communication with you, I have thought it necessary to publish, under this date, in further compliance with the Spirit of the Instructions which I have received from Government.

as among other things, it has been fully & clearly explained to all the Inhabitants by this Instrument, that the Pollams of Panjalumcourchy - Naglipoor - Collarputty - Yelloyerumpunny - Cadelgoody & Colatoor have been sequestered, not only as a just punishment of their former owners for a perseverance in a line of conduct by which the Peace & tranquillity of these Countries have been so repeatedly disturbed, and the consequent resentment of Government so often raised, but also with a view of holding out to others an example of just severity which it is hoped will operate very effectually in preventing a repetition of those atrocious & calamitous scenes of which the Poligars of these Pollams were so often the inhuman Authors - and, further, as every pains has been taken with the Vakeels of the other Poligars, who are now here, to impress their Masters with a perfect conviction of the future determination of Government (whose lenity on most former occasions has produced no reform) to be as rigorous in punishing those who shall dare to act in resistance of their authority, as they will be solicitously attentive to promote the real Interests of the Country, I should hope you will now find little difficulty in making your arrangements for Setting & Managing the affairs of these Sequestered Pollams — I shall however be well satisfied to receive from you any Suggestion, as to the adoption of farther Measures, by which you conceive the important Service in which we are engaged can be promoted in which Measures I shall be happy to Cooperate most cordially -

Lieut. Bowen, the Officer Commanding at Panjalumcourchy has been instructed to consider it his particular duty to afford you, to the full extent of his means, every assistance of the Military which you may

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think it necessary to call for, to establish & support your authority in that Pollam and Lieutenant Tichborne, whom it is my intention to leave in charge of a party at Naglipoor, shall be instructed to the same effect in the event of your having occasion for any such assistance in this Neighborhood — As I shall cause intimation to be given to the Inhabitants of the Sequestered Pollams that I have appointed these Officers to receive all the Pikes & other Arms, for a surrender of which they have been called upon, a communication to them of any information you may receive of such Arms & Pikes being concealed will be attended with the best effect in insuring proper attention, on the part of the Inhabitants to this part of the Proclamation —

It is my intention to move the Detachment the day after tomorrow in a direction towards Collarputty, and then towards Coilpettah & Kytar, with a view of owing the Poligars of the Western Range all of whom I have summoned to attend me at the latter Place by the 28th Instant, and when you find it convenient to join me there, I hope those Poligars will evince every disposition to listen to what you may have to propose for the immediate adjustment of their accounts, and the future arrangement and management of their Pollams —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

Camp at Naglipoor
1st September 1799

(Signed) J Bannerman
Major Commanding

Translation of a Proclamation by Major John Bannerman Commanding a Detachment on Service to the Several Poligars of the Tinnevelly Province —

Be it known to all the Tinnevelly Polligars and all the Inhabitants of the Pollams that Major John Bannerman, Commissioned by the Hon'ble Company, to make enquiry into the misconduct of the Tinnevelly Poligars, in communication with the Collector and to punish such as may be found deserving thereof — and having on a full enquiry into the Conduct of the Several Poligars of Yelloyerumpunny Naglipoor, Collarputty, Cadulgoody and Colatoor, discovered that they were leagued with Pavalumcourchy in the late levying of War against the Poligar of Shevagherry, who is under the Companys protection, and that the Conduct of all these Poligars has been alike disobedient and rebellious to the Government of the Company in disregarding the authority

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of the Collector refusing to pay the Company's Rents, Committing depredations, disturbing the peace of the Country, and oppressing & Murdering its Inhabitants, he has deemed it expedient, by Virtue of his instructions, and the Powers with which he is invested from the Company, to mark in the strongest manner their displeasure against such criminal proceedings — and therefore proclaims that the Poligar of Panjalumcourchy, Naglepoor Yellayerumpunny Collarputty Cadulgoody & Colatoor are dispossessed of their Pollams; and be it known to all the Inhabitants thereof that they are assumed by the Company, who have accordingly taken possession of them —

Be it further known to all the Inhabitants of the aforesaid assumed Pollams that Major John Bannerman has delivered them over to the charge of S. Lushington Esqr. Collector of the Pollams, and as he is the immediate Superior and Manager thereof and will Conduct all the business of the aforesaid Countries, it is strictly enjoined that all the Inhabitants shew the most implicit respect and obedience to his authority and Commands. —

Be it further known that all the Forts in the aforesaid Pollams being deemed useless and unnecessary by the Company, are hereby ordered to be destroyed; and further as the Carrying of Arms by the Peons and People thereof has been attended with much mischief and Violence to the whole Country, it is strictly enjoined, that no Peon, Sherogar Cawalkar, Inhabitant or any other person of any description whatsoever, shall hereafter use or Keep either Firelock Matchlock, Pike or Spear under pain of being put to Death; and any Person whatsoever found concealing or possessing them will be also subject to the same punishment; and it is therefore strictly Commanded that every peon or Inhabitant of the aforesaid Pollams, possessing Arms shall immediately deliver them up to such persons as Major Bannerman may appoint to receive them, and every Head Inhabitant will be held subject to severe punishment, who makes not the fullest enquiry and gives not the most speedy information of all Arms concealed in his Village — and in order more effectually to preserve the tranquility of the assumed Pollams, and that the peaceful Inhabitants may pursue their Cultivation in safety — All Head Inhabitants of Villages are hereby solemnly warned, that in whatever Village resistance may be made to the Company's Servants, and it shall be discovered that any Firelock, Matchlock, Pike or Spear has been used in such affray, the Head Inhabitant of such Village will be liable to suffer Death, unless he shall, in three days after such affray has happened, report the Names of those Inhabitants who were engaged in such resistance, and prove that

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he has done every thing in his power to seize the offenders.

Be it also known to all the Inhabitants of the aforementioned assumed Pollams that to convince them in the most effectual manner of the absolute assumption thereof on the part of the Company, and to preclude hereafter any communication whatsoever between them & the Poligars, that the Poligars of Yelloyerumpunny, Naglipoor, Collarputty and Colatoor will be sent to such place as the Company may appoint where they will be supported in a manner suitable to their respective situations and conduct, and which support will be more or less accordingly. But the Poligars of Paryalumcourchy and Cadulgoody having fled the Country a reward of two thousand Chuckrums shall be paid to any person bringing either of them in Dead or alive.

And moreover be it also known that the Company will have a just consideration for the relations and connexions of the aforementioned deposed Poligars, and will make such provision for them, as their respective conduct and condition may prove them entitled to - and be it also most fully known to all the rest of the Poligars that while the assumption of the abovementioned six Pollams has been the severe and necessary consequence of very criminal proceedings that provided all the rest conduct themselves hereafter with the most respectful and submissive obedience to the Companys Government, neither more of the lives of their people will be taken or more of their Countries assumed, and being duly impressed therewith they will act accordingly.

Under these assurances let therefore the Inhabitant of every description & particularly those Sherogars and Peons who have been accustomed to carry Arms Cheerfully lay aside all offensive Weapons and betaking themselves to the Cultivation of the Lands increase their own happiness and merit the favor of the Company who will protect them from every danger.

Given under my hand in Camp at Naglipoor this 18th Day of September 1799.

(Signed) J. Bannerman
Major Commanding
Detachment

To Stephen R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector Ramnad

Sir,

Herewith I have the honor to enclose a Sett of Bills in favor of the Board of Revenue, & in return for the Sum of ten thousand Star Pagodas advanced by you to the Madura Paymaster

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) W. R. Irwin
Assistant

Tanjore
14th September 1799.

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To R. Lushington Esq.
Collector of Ramnad

Sir

I have the pleasure to inform you, that I have this day ordered in part of the Men detached in the Punyamahal - leaving only agreeable to your request 1 Havildar & 12 Sepoys -

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) W. Elliott
Lieutenant Commanding

Pallamcottah
17th September 1799

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To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr.
Collector

Sir

I received your letter too late last night to reply to it at the moment of its receipt, but loose no time this morning in expressing my satisfaction at your having discovered the villanous practices of Mootoo Tammy Iyen, my Gomastah at Naglepoor —

as he is so close in your Neighbourhood and you have the means of arresting Him so immediately about you, allow me to request you to take advantage of these Circumstances to secure his person without delay — the enclosed is an order to Him to deliver Himself up to the Bearer —

As I know not what punishment may be inflicted on Him should he prove guilty of what He is Charged with I think it necessary to inform you that He is indebted to the Company from four to five hundred Pagodas —

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Kenworthy
Commercial Resdt.

Tinnevelly
9th September 1799.

To S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector

Sir

You will be pleased to advance to Lieutenant Turner on account of the Prisoners under his charge the Sum of three hundred Star Pagodas I have also authorized Lieutenant Bagshaw Commanding the Pioneers to draw on you for two hundred R. Chuckrams for the payment of Coolies to be employed in demolishing the Fort of Puryalimcourchy —

I also request you to furnish Mr. Bagshaw with one Garce of rice to be given in part payment to the Coolies employed by him which will be more likely to procure their Services during the present scarcity of Grain than Money —

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Bannerman
Major Commanding

Camp at Naglepoor
20th September 1799.

Stephen Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad

Sir

Your letter of the 11th Instant is just received, and I shall immediately dispatch to you every Garce of Grain that can be spared from this Place Surplus to the wants of its Inhabitants —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) F. A. Grant
Resident

Nagoor
13th September 1799.

Stephen

Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esq.

Collector

Ramnad

Sir,

When my Servant delivered my letter to you dated the 5th. Instant he return-ed with a Verbal answer that you would write to me by the Post, which I presume must have escaped your Recollection as I cannot suppose you would intentionally Subject me or any other person to an inconvenience for want of so simple an article as the Pass Port I requested. When I was informed that Government had Ordered every person who travells to be furnished with a Passport I conceived the intention was to prevent improper People from passing through the different Districts, but not to prevent any Individual who should be thought otherwise, from pursuing his Business. you may not be acquainted with the Several applications I have made during the five Months I have resided here but as their reception, has already Subjected me to much inconvenience; Should you have any reason for not complying with my application; your informing me by the return of Post, that I may make them to Government accordingly; will much Oblige —

Sir &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Baxter

Manapar

20th. September 1799 —

To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esq.

Sir,

I was this day favoured with your letter and hope by the time this reaches you the first fleet of Boats will be with you. They are good & Staunch Vessels the four Donies I now dispatch to you has on board 2940 Baggs Weighing as mentioned in the Inclosed Bills of Lading. We are taking Salt and I have seen the Bottom of the Hold and there is not a Grain of Rice Damaged The topall waits for me but will write you more Particular Tomorrow.

Nagapatanam

17th. September 1799 —

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Kingsmill

N. B. I have Supplied all the Donies with Twine and Needles that they may have no Excuse for spent Delivery of the Rice —

S. Lushington Esq.

Collector at Ramnad

Sir,

I have this day been honored with your letter of the 9th. Instant & return you many thanks for the promtitude with which you have acceded to my request in securing certain Persons who I have great Reason to expect will give much information on the Subjects now under enquiry here. To these persons I now beg leave to add Permal Naig Brother in law to Ramasamy & request that he may be Secured and sent to Columbo with any writings in his Possession: that

that may relate to the late Pearl fishery—

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Columbo
15th September 1799—

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(signed) Frederic North

To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Rannad

Sir

I Yesterday Accomplished the loading of four 4 Donies with Rice in the Baggs from the Ship Two thousand Nine hundred and forty (2940) which as well as the Quantity sent in the first fleet of Donies good Weight and in good Condition the Donies all Staunch good Anchors Cables Sails Suitable for their Voyage, I have Supplied them Needles and Twine to repair any Baggs that Should be Bad to prevent their Complaining of Short Weight, I Received from Mr. Thompson One thousand Emty Gunny Baggs (1000) in your account being wanted to fill loose Rice and Since the Ship sent back to Nagapatam I have have had from Mr. Thompson on other Supply of Gunny Baggs for the Purpose to fill a Quantity of Rice that was Started in the Hold where the Ship Loaded to the Naves, those Gunnys was Demanded by the Captain to be Absolutely Necessary three thousand Eight Hundred and fifty (3850) Exclusive of the first thousand Received (1000)

as the Ship is Intended for a Specific Voyage the Captain was determined not to Resque being delayed in Endeavouring to get to Campon fearing that the N E Masson wand Brink in on the Ship never did I directly or Indirectly mention a Wind of the Ship Returning Back to Nagapatam Before the Captain Sent me the letter which you have had a Copy of written my Answer to it I was Employed to Carry the Princess Royal to Tondy or as near it as the Depth of water wond allow. and from my being four Vagages thim on a Ship of 300 Tons and many times Since to and from Jaffanapatam in a Smaller Vessel I am very Confident the Water that is to be found between the Banks Four fathoms (4) which I tald Captain Wedgeborough I wond find for the Ship to pass through this I related in Madrass. I do not know the Terms you have Freighted the Ship on but as the Ship put Back to Suit the owners purpose I should think the amount of the Expence of Sending the Rice Should fall on them I will have all the Remained or of the Cargo Weighed by the 23d and the 24th the Boats will Sail at Which Period I will give you a full account of the Whole Business the Owners of the Donies Stand Out that the Madrass Gave was only 92 40 lbs But after a long Argument with them I carried the point and Calculated all these Cargoes at the Rate of 9840 lbs which is the Product of Sixty Bengall Baggs

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of 164 lbs each Bagg: Pray Sir Write a few lines to Mr Tarwell in Consequence of me being delayed at Nagapatam to freight the Cargo for you. My next letter will be with the Bills of Lading of three Boats which will be Landed on the 21st.

Nagapatam
18th September 1799

I am &c. &c.
signed, J. Kingsmill

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Stephen Lushington Esqr.

Collector of Southern Peshcush &c. &c.

Sir,

I have the honor of Sending Copy of letter of this date to Major Bannerman & Copy of letter of this date to the Board of Revenue.

I am sure it will not be necessary for me to express my wishes for your assistance in furtherance of the public Service.

What I have requested of Major Bannerman need not affect his other objects. altho material to the peace of my districts, tis less so to the General good than the full organisation of your Pollams. if the Major can Assist me I would wish it. if not I will try the means I have.

Motepollam
19th September 1799

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(signed) T. B. Hurdis

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Major Bannerman

&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor of transmitting Copy of letter to the Board of Revenue. whence you will perceive my wishes respecting the Yellamoody Poligar whose son Nelladadoo Poosaury Naique has committed the most vile and atrocious enormities in the Dindigul Valley. the particulars I have sent in twenty six Sheets to the Board.

I wrote Mr Collector Lushington on the Subject on the 15th Instant I then proposed using my own means for Poosaury Naiques apprehension. but thinking it will be easier effected thro your means. I have to express my hope that if such business will not operate in prevention of the Service you are now engaged in. you will for the furtherance of the public Service use your endeavours to apprehend him. which however I fear can only be done by detaining his father as an hostage for him.

I have Sent Copy of this letter & my letter to the Board to Mr Collector Lushington.

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I have the honor to be &c &c

(Signed) J. B. Hurdis
Collector

True Copy

Cotepollam
8 September 1799

William Petrie Esqr. President &c
Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

My letter of the 2d Instant made mention of the conduct of Vero-patchee an extract of declaration of alwarpillah accompanied it. I would not have sent so superficial a business to your Board had I been possessed of all the information I send in the accompanying twenty six Sheets the greater part of which altho dated some time since I have within these few days only thoroughly degested —

The horrid scenes of murder therein related have been perpetrated since the time of Meer saheb until July last the predatory incursions of the Colleries and Poosaury Naigue's bandetti have been every where checked by the Sebbendy and means would have been taken to bring these atrocities before your Board earlier than now that the perpetrators might have received punishment had it been known that such acts had been committed. the Sebbendy in successfully following the bandetti into the hills gave security to the Villages of the Valley but as that security remained only so long as the Peons were present and as the late war encouraged the bandetti of every description to assemble — I determined that delicacy either towards his highness's country or Polygars or to those of Dendigul Madura or Manapara Should not prevent my using all the means in my power to repress & punish the miscreants who were daring enough to come forward —

The attacks on Pylney & Yerrecottah as before related to your Board justified this determination and the events of those attacks depressed the spirits of the insurgents — nevertheless security of situation gave confidence to the bandetti of the Valley — to renew and persevere in their plunders — which (vide Mr. Ravenshaw's letter) became more & most heinous by aggravated of wanton barbarity —

These circumstanced I directed that when information which might be depended upon could be gained of Poosaury naigue and his bandetti — the Sebbendy Should proceed to the place and bring him in dead or alive and his adherents —

on the 22d July they proceeded to Poolatoor in the hills and were fortunate enough to secure all the principals save three Vizt. Poosaury naigue Comerday & Nyanapircausum — the declarations (from No. 7 to 11 enclusive) of these miscreants unfold

unfold the barbarities committed and which most probably never would have been brought to light but for the apprehension of the principals –

I have remarked as particularly as possible on every paragraph of every declaration that your Board might be apprized of my opinion and be in possession of all I know – It appears to me – that no further enquiry into the conduct of Verapatchee will be necessary – to shew the man in his true colors – but of this your Board will judge –

As I understand Major Bannerman is now moving westward – I shall request of him to secure the Vellamoody Poligar as an hostage for his son Poojaury naigue who is concealed in his pollam – & constantly changing his place of recidence in the different Villages of it –

Every attention to the motions of the Poligar is paid it is only the Idea that by Major Bannermans means, his seizure may be effected with less risque, that has prevented my directing the peons further to attempt it – and that by apparently giving up the pursuit Poojaury Naigues vigilance may decrease to negligence –

The party is wholly driven from the hills, and there is every reason to hope the North side of the Valley will be in quiet but it is in my opinion indispensably necessary that a strong body of peons should remain in the hills not only to prevent the possibility of the parties returning – but to cause an easy ingress towards the strong combies of Verapatchee & Connewaudy –

Fully impressed with the importance of this and having by every means in my power procured information of the relative situation of the different retreats in the hills all of which strongly corroborated my first intention – I directed the Sebbendy to remain at Poolatoor – to clear the Jungle around the place and to build a Gurry after the country fashion for their security – the expence of which will be trifling and which I beg leave to enter in my accounts –

As a preventative to future atrocities of such nature in the hills I beg to observe that the opening a road from Pylney to Poolatoor & Pennicaudoo thro the hills appears to me the best mode that can be adapted – and this by destroying in great measure, the security of the Poligars in their combies, places them more under the orders of the Sirkar – the undertaking will neither be very difficult nor very expensive should your Board approve the suggestion I shall be happy to forward an estimate –

In No. 2. I transmit particulars of the conduct of the colleries – to write more on the subject of these insubordinate people would

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be only to fatigue your Board with repetition — the Nabobs people cannot Manage them and the cause th— a total devolution of justice towards them —

Matepollam
19 September 1799

true Copy

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(signed) J. B. Hurdis

To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr Collector

Sir

Inclosed is one Bill of Lading for 400 Baggs of Rice on the Carratatomby Dony this the 11th Dony Despatched and the last 30 Gunny Baggs She brings. Needles and Twine I have given him to repair the Broken Baggs

Nagapatam
25th September 1799

Neat Rice from the Ship Princess Royal altogether is English Pounds — 2095049
Madrass Garce 212. 89. 69

I am &c. &c.
(signed) J. Kingsmill

Stephen Lushington Esqr
Collector of Southern Pieshcush

Sir

Your favour of the 18 in reply to my letter of the 15th I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of —

I shall most readily accede to any measures you may think proper to adopt for the security of the Dindegul country against the depredations of Poojaury Naigue assisted by Yellamoody and shall direct neither Cawn the Tahsieldar of Nellacotta — whose peons are watching the motions of Poojaury — to give you every information respecting him and to obey your orders in respect to the entering the pollams under your authority on this account —

My letter of Yesterday will inform you in part of particulars — the declarations of the principal — which are twenty six sheets — I have not time to send —

In any assurances you may find it necessary to give the western Poligars I shall feel obliged by your making reservation against them in such manner as you may deem most proper for the adjustment of the Claims my requests have on them & against Saupatoor Yellamoody — Dodapah Naigue & Whotapah Naigue in Particular

Matepollam
19th September 1799

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(signed) J. B. Hurdis
Collector

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To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector of Ramnad &c. &c. at Kytar

Sir,

In obedience to your instructions I proceed to Yelloyerumpunny to explain the proclamation to the Inhabitants, to give them confidence in the Company's protection and to direct the Servants appointed by you to take Charge of the Country, in such points as they might require instruction. these matters I have the pleasure to report were easy of accomplishment; for Yelloyerumpunny enjoys that state of peace and tranquility which from its former convulsed condition and the restless spirit of its inhabitants under the Poligar, there was little reason to expect would be produced in so short a period of time. The awe however of the Company's power, united with a joy at so happy a change of Government to them, appear to have wrought this desireable effect in the minds of the Inhabitants, and confident of the Company's protection they have every where betaken themselves to the cultivation of their grounds, with as much readiness and alacrity as could be wished, fortunately too the Season has favoured their under takings and from the promise of still more rain there is every prospect of an Abundant Crop —

I was particularly careful to impress upon the minds of the people the Necessity of delivering up their arms, and although it is natural to conceive them reluctant to resign instruments, which from their infancy, they have been accustomed to carry, and on which they have often depended for their subsistence, I am happy to say my endeavours have not been wholly unsuccessful; indeed, every day I doubt not will convince the Inhabitants of the little Service there is for them under the Companys Government.

Kytar
27. September 1799.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) H. Grame
Assistant

To S. Lushington Esqr.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25 Instant, and agreable to your request have freighted a dony, convey the 5 Dutch Gentlemen (Prisoners of war) to Madras for 50 P. N. Pagodas and is ready to Sail at a moments warning She is the only Boat here that is to Sail for the presidency before this mansoons Sets in — as we must Expect

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in a few days —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) Jos Baggott

Beach Master

Tutacorin

[illegible] September 1799

Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esq.

Collector

Sir,

I send the Bearer by name Kolundy Velloo Pilly to take the accounts of Mootoo Sammy Iyen relating to the Employment he Held in the Companys Service — I request you will allow him the access necessary for this purpose —

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Kenworthy

Commercial Resident —

Tinnevelly

23 September 1799 —

To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esq.

Sir,

Inclosed is four Bills of Lading for 2820 Baggs of Rice Loden on four Donies which are all in good Order. Twine and Needles I have Suppleyed them and hope you will Receive the Rice Safe In three days you will I hope have all the Donies with you as the Easterly winds are come on here. I think I will have all the Rice out of the Ship in four Days when I will Dispatch the last fleet of Boats —

Nagapatam

20th September 1799 —

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Kingsmill

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To S. R. Lushington Esqr.

Collector &c. &c.

Sir,

Several Individuals of the family of Catta Bomma Naick, the Panjalumcoorchy Poligar who surrendered themselves to Captain Davison, commanding at Tuticoryn, whom I had authorized to receive & detain them, having been sent from thence to Camp, in consequence of my orders, I have directed those of them whose Names are contained in the accompanying List, to be now delivered over to you, with exception of the woman who are still at Tuticoryn, but whom I have instructed Captain Davison to hold ready to attend upon your Summons, in the event of your finding it necessary

to

to call for their appearance —

Sooberamonya Pillys Brother with several of his other Relations, of whose names likewise a list is enclosed, your people received charge of before I left Naglipore.

I think it of consequence that all those people should be kept for the present in strict confinement in order that they may be in readiness to be disposed of as Government may hereafter determine, or in such man-ner as you shall see occasion, not only for the purpose of assisting you to obtain every information as to the Revenues and property of the Poligar, or the property of his Manager Sooberamonya Pilly, but principally with a view to prevent their influence in the Pollam operating to the prejudice of the Companys Interests, by interfering with, or obstructing such arran-gements as you may adopt for the future management of the Country. for I must record it as my decided opinion that, till the Inhabitants shall have had sufficient time to be reconciled to the new system which you are now introducing, by becoming sensible of its advantages, serious disturbances will be excited if any of the Relations of the Poligar or of his late Manager are suffered to keep their Villages or if they are in any ways employed in transacting the business of the Country, so as to give them the least appearance of retaining any authority in it. —

Just as I was leaving Naglipoor I received intelligence that the Wife of Catabommah Naique's uncle, who had fled with the Poligar, had found means, before she was apprehended, to deposit with a man in the Circar Village of Concundoo, through which they passed, a small Box containing Jewels &ca. — On securing the man the Box was produced, and I immediately directed its contents to be examined, in my presence, & an In-ventory to be taken by Major of Brigade Knowles & Mr George Hughes, who signed the Inventory — I have desired the Jewels with the Inventory to be delivered over to you —

I have to request that you will be so good as to order a separate account to be kept of these Jewels (or of the amount of their value when they shall be disposed of) and also of the amount of the Sums for which the Ele-phant, Horses & Bullocks, found in the Fort of Panjalumcourchy, or taken from the Poligar, during his flight, were sold —

For as it has been usual for Government to give up any pro-

property so captured, as prize to the Detachment employed on the service, it is my intention to address the Board on the Subject and to request they will determine as to the disposal of the Circar, & other property found in the Fort of Panjalumcourchy or taken from the Poligar & his adherents during their flight —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

Camp at Kylar
28th September 1799

(Signed) J. Bannerman
Major Commanding

To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr.
Collector

Sir

I have the honor to enclose you translation of Complaints against the Woorkaud & Chockumputty Poligars. The former in spite of the repeated rebukes of the different Gentlemen who have had authority over the Poligar since the Establishment of this Investment still continues a conduct equally prejudicial and disrespectful to the Concerns and authority of the Company. I hope therefore that you will take an early opportunity of impressing his mind most forcibly with the necessity of a change in his conduct, without which I shall loose many Valuable Looms or considerably endanger the Security of the Companys advances

I am &c. &c.

Tinnevelly
27th September 1799

(Signed) J. Kenworthy
Commercial Resident

Translation of an Arzey from the Mellapollam Gomastah Dated 27th September 1799

I before informed you of the Woorcaud Poligars having unjustly beat the Companys weavers, confined them and forced from them a Bond for one hundred and fifty Chuckrums, & tho if he has not since repeated the trouble he has not returned the Bond — Besides this at Caddianelloor the Chockumputty Poligars man Coohalinga Tevan on the plea of a Marriage in the Poligars family caught the Brokers & Weavers, put some of them in Irons flogged them, & forced from them a Bond for the One hundred & Eighty six Chuckrums and upon the strength of it collected ninety Chuckrums. Immediately as the news was heard of the Camp assembling he desisted from a further demand of money & made no more trouble the Bond however is still in his possession — the Weavers say we are poor & distressed People depending upon the Company for protection. if we are plundered in this

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way how can we live they trust that you will procure the Bond to be resto=
=red & the Money to be returned — I send a signed declaration of the Weavers
touching the Chockumputty &c.

Declaration of Madianelloor Brokers & Weavers —

In the Manner before recited the Chockumpatty man Poovalinga
Tevun caught us & forced from us a Bond for one hundred & fifty Chuckrums,
& took in Cash fifty four Chuckrums —

(Signed) Allee Moopen or head Man of the Caste
in that Village for the rest of the Cast.

(Signed) Allurasee (Broker)

In our street a fool hung himself, for this Poovalinga Tevun caught six
of us & put in Irons. when the Gomastah came here in consequence & relea=
=sed them but as soon as he went away again caught & forced a Bond
from them for thirty six Chuckrums & took Money for the amount —

(Signed) Alley Moopen for the rest
as above —

To Mr. S. R. Lushington

Collector of Assigned Peshcush

Sir,

The sum of Star Pagodas 3395 received from Coottyapilly
by a Bill drawn by Rungapilly having been credited to you in my
Books as Collector of Southern Assigned Peshcush you will be pleased to
notice it in those accounts to the credit of Ramnad Peshcush —

Fort St. George
23. September 1799 —

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) George Read
Revenue Accountant

To Mr. S. R. Lushington
Collector of
Assigned Pesheush

Sir

I herewith enclose an Extract from the Proceedings of a Board of Audit Dated 13th September 1799

I am &c. &c.
(signed) George Read
A.B.R.

Fort St. George
22 September 1799

Extract from the Proceedings of a Board of Audit Dated 13th September 99

Read comparative List of Servants of Southern assigned Pesheush for Fusely 1209 pr Month 15 Pagodas or pr annum Pags. 180 Passed but Chargeable to the Saupatoor Pollam

(A true Extract)
(signed) George Read
A.R.B.

To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr.

Sir

Accompanying please to Receive three Bills of Lading for three Dongs Dispatched also a General Account of the Shipping the Rice and the Cash I had paid the Several Dongs Captain Gay's Account for the Boats also is herein. I hope you will Receive all the Rice Safe and dry. I now beg leave to request what you are pleased to allow me for the Weighing and Shiping the Rice &c. you will please to send me an Order for on any House you please in Madras I have had from Mr. Thompson 30 Star Pagodas which please Deduct. Two hundred Star Pagodas. I hope you will not think to much for my trouble. I have asked two or three persons if two Hundred Pags. was Moderate and they said very much so However as you please yourself. I leave this place in an Horse for Madras the Business being Completed

I am &c. &c.
(signed) J. Kingsmill

Nagapatam
26th September 1799

Stephen

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Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr Dr

		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
…mbr	To a Boat from this Port to land Mr Lushington from the Ship Princess Royal lying off Nagore Road	1	〃	〃
4th	To 3 Boats Sent off to transport Rice from the Princess Royal Captain Wedgeborough to Different Doneys in the Roads at 10 fanams per Trip	1	11	20
	To 11 half Trips Employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per Trip	3	〃	12
5th	To 3 Boats Sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Doneys in the Road	1	11	20
	To 18 half Trips Employed as above mentioned @ 5 fanams per Trip	4	17	8
6th	To 3 Boats Sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to different Doneys in the Road	1	11	20
	To 19 half Trips Employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per Trip	5	4	4
7th	To 3 Boats Sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Doneys in the Roads	1	11	20
	To 21 half Trips Employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per Trip	5	14	4
8th	To 3 Boats Sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal at Different Doneys in the Roads	1	11	20
	To 11 half Trips employed as above mentioned at 5 fan.s per Trip	3	〃	12
9th	To 3 Boats Sent off to Transport the Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Doneys in the Roads	1	11	20
	To 17 half trips employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per Trip	4	12	8
10th	To 3 Boats Sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Doneys in the Roads	1	11	20
	To 10 half trips employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per half Trip	3	〃	12
12th	The Exchange being this Day at 18 Gold fanams and 3 Cash per P. N. Pagodas	43	7	8
14th	To 2 Boats sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Doneys in the Roads	1	2	〃
	To 10 half Trips employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per half trip	2	14	〃
15th	To 3 Boats sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Doneys in the Roads	1	12	〃
	To 12 half Trips employed as above mentioned as 5 fanams per half Trip	3	6	〃
16th	To 3 Boats sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Doneys in the Roads	1	12	〃
	To 18 half Trips Employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per half Trip	5	[illegible]	[illegible]

Carried over

1799 Septr.		Brought Over			
17	To 3 Boats sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Donys in the Roads		1	12	
	To 12 half Trips employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per half trip		3	6	
18	To 1 Boat sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Donys in the Roads		"	10	
	To 15 half Trips employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per half Trip		4	3	
19	To 3 Boats sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Donys in the Road		1	12	
	To 17 half Trips employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per half trip		4	13	
20	To 3 Boats sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal at Different Donys in the Road		1	12	
	To 15 half Trips Employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per half trip		4	3	
21	To 3 Boats sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Donys in the Road		1	12	
	To 10 half Trips Employed as above mentioned at 5 fanams per half trip		2	14	
22	To 11 Do. Do. Do. Do.		3	1	
23	To 8 Do. Do. Do. Do.		2	4	
24	To 2 Boats sent off to Transport Rice from the Ship Princess Royal to Different Donys in the Road		1	2	
	To 9 half Trips Employed as above mentioned at 5 fanms. per half trip		2	9	
	To a Single Chellunga from this port to that of the Presidency to carry Captain Kingsmill P. N. Pagodas		25	"	"
		Total P. N. P.	119	4	8

Examined
J. Kingsmill
Nagapatam
September 1799

Content Received
E. E.
(signed) W. Gay
Master Attendant

To J. Lushington Esqr.
Collector

Sir,

I did not receive your letter of the 30 Ultimo till ½ past 9 this Morning. I loose no time in sending off the Prisoners therein named, under the charge of the Bearer (a Naigue) and Sepoys - each Prisoner has been furnished with a days Provision, exclusive of the allowance served out this day -

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) Thos Tichborne -

Naglapore
½ past 10 A.M. 1799 -

Abstract of Bills of lading belonging to Donies to be [illegible] and already dispatched from Negapatam by Captn. Kingsmill to different Ports in the Ramnad Province -

Place	Quantity in Bags and weights		Donies Names -	Syrangs names -
	Bags	lb		
1st fleet	13000	171013	Lachuma	Abdul Caudder
Cumbedally	420	59327	Menache	Audengany
	660	99747	Mahamet Box	Hebram
	140	121478	Shake Meera	Caudder
2d fleet	841	122161	Meera Madat Cumber	Caupa
1st fleet	660	90412	Bon Voyage	Deuasagauyem
Devepatam	900	121254	Jane	Pareya Tombee
	780	108574	St. Anthony	Malayappen
	320	191291	Humbier	Comeo Oray
2d fleet	600	88084	Audawaudder	Agomodu
	600	83968	Meera Modum	Mina Tomby
	420	63968	Allomolle Mungo	Caudder
	240	34817	Rawet Mynaun	Paria Meera
	540	72938	Audeylachmee	Meeriah Mynaun
Vypar	540	83773	Meera Madut	Cupadah Savay
	600	83946	Chindatry	Aurrogium
	10,541			

S. R. Lushington Esqr.

Collector &ca. &ca.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 1st Instant requesting me to consider Messrs. Gratian and Albrecht, as at liberty to remain at Manapara, until further Orders – in making known this circumstance to the other Gentlemen, now under orders for Madras, they seem to have formed a Hope, that the same Indulgence may be extended to them, & I enclose their Petition soliciting it, which they have requested me to forward and assist – I do not take upon to do the latter, but it is no more than Justice to them, to say, that either in a public or private view – I conceive them equally deserving of an Indulgence with the other Gentlemen – Mr. Vanspall the elder has a Wife and five Children – & and with his Brother Mr. C. Vanspall, is destitute of those means of property which Messrs. Gratian and Albrecht possess as I am informed. – the very alarming Illness of Mr. Albrecht's wife entitle him to very great Commisera-tion – and to every possible Indulgence –

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.

(Signed) Wm. Davison Captn. Comg. at Tutacorin

Tutacoryn
4 October 1799.

A Monsier S. R. Lushington

Collectorat Ramnad

Monsieur –

Monsieur le Commandant W. Davison, nous à informer, Que vous aviez par consideration accorder à Monsier Albrecht, and son beau Frere Mr. Gratian la permission, de retourner à Manapar & d'y rester, Jusqua unseq ordre, Et Comme notre vraiment malheureuse Situation, meritent une pas moindre generense reflexion, Nous vous supplions Grati-ensement Monsieur, de nous faire participer egalement, dans cette faveur and Que votre Conter nous permittes, pour rester de même icy, Nous vous temoignont, Que nous vous auront une Obligation infinie –

We are &c. &c.

(Signed) Wm. Vanspall
F. C. J. Spall
&ca. &ca.

Tuticoryn
le 4th October 1799 –

To

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To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector at
Ramnad

Sir,

I am this moment favored with the receipt of your letter of the 29th. Ultimo.

It is now seven days since Tondimans Vakeel reported to me the Message from his Master relative to the capture of Cataboma Naig; and requiring my orders at the disposal of his Person. He at the same time informed me that Tondiman had sent intelligence of this circumstance to you at Ramnad to Major Bannerman and to Colonel Brown at Trichinopoly. I made no doubt but Government had vested full Powers in the hands of the Collector and Commanding Officer entrusted with the conduct of the Poligar Expedition and was apprehensive that any orders from me might interfere with their arrangements. My reply therefrom to Tondimans Vakeel was to assure his Master of the Approbation of Government for his spirited and proper conduct upon this occasion, and to desire him to hold the Poligar and his followers in strict Confinement until he should receive orders to deliver him up.

I reported the Circumstance at the same time to Government.

I have no doubt but Tondiman will surrender the Prisoners on you or Major Bannermans demand, but to prevent any unnecessary delay I have written to him thro' his Vakeel and by a Hircarrah to this Effect.

As Major Innes wrote to inform me he had received instructions on this affair, I have thought it necessary to send him your letter for perusal, in order to obviate any delay from that Quarter and to remove every impediment towards the speedy accomplishment of the final and complete orders which you have issued in regard to Catta Boma Naig.

I have the honor to be
&ca &ca.
(Signed) Benjn. Torin
Resident

Tanjore
28. October 1799

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit for your information Copy of my address to the Right Honble the Governor in Council of yesterday date, also of the Proclamations in English and Malabar to which it alludes.

I have the honor to be &c &c &c.

(Signed) J. Bannerman

Camp at Hytar
6th October 1799

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Sir

Agreeably to the intimation contained in my letter to you of the 26th ultimo I the next day met all the Poligars, who had in obedience to my summons arrived at Hytar. The Poligars of Gulapa Naig and Yellomurra were the only individuals absent. They however scarce deserve the name of Poligars, and would be more properly stiled the head men of inconsiderable Collery Villages. I did not therefore deem waiting for them of any consequence, and I shall have perhaps on a future day to bring their conduct under the consideration of Government.

I judged it adviseable to converse with each individual of the Principal Poligars separately, in order that I might adopt the Style of my conversation to the Opinion with which I was impressed of each Poligars conduct, when contracted with the Duties he owed to the State.

I first endeavoured to make the Poligars sensible of the Justice of the punishment which had already been made.

I then cautioned them against believing that, however no farther example had yet been made, I was ignorant of the many acts of disobedience of which they had been guilty, and of the refractory disposition of the Poligars in general, and of the innumerable evils which such causes had produced. I assured them that I should make use of the power, which I possessed in the present Occasion to the fullest extent by punishing immediately, and in the most examplary manner, any inclination which any of them might betray to oppose the measures which I was determined to carry into effect on the part of Government for the purpose of keeping their licentious and refractory Spirits under proper

proper restraint, and that they might depend upon it, all Pollams would in future be sequestered, whose Poligars did not pay proper respect to the single authority of Government by yielding a ready and an implicit Obedience to all such orders, as I should now deliver to them - and as they might hereafter receive from Mr. Lushington the Collector, to whom they must never fail to respect and obey, on all occasions, as the Company's representative - That they would be convinced from what I had no view but to prevent future disturbances in these Country, and to ensure to them the Quiet possession of their Pollams; the protection of which would in future become the immediate care of Government -

I then informed the Poligars that I required to be furnished with faithful and true answers in writing to the following Question before I could be explained to them, the measures which Government now saw it was absolutely necessary to adopt. what is the amount of their Annual Peshcush to Government?

Are any arrears of that Peshcush now due

How many Forts they had in their Pollams?

What Sheragars and Peons &c.? - How many of the Peons were Armed with Firelocks and what number with Pikes? And what expense is incurred by keeping these People Armed those Forts in Repair?

I was induced to mix the Questions respecting what Forts and the number of Peons & Co. who carried Arms, were in their respective Pollams, with others, in order to prevent the Poligars discovering my real intentions till I had obtained all the information I could from them, - as to the number of Forts and Arms in their different Pollams, and although I did not expect the account I should receive from them to be correct, yet I conceived it would be a great point gained to have under the Signature of each Poligar a specific return of Arms, on the surrender of which I could insist in the first Instance -

When I received answers from the different Poligars to the Questions I had put to them, which was not till the 1st Instant, I summoned them to attend me the next day, by which time I had prepared a Proclamation, of which I have the honor to enclose a Translation for the information of Government -

I conducted this interview with respect

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to seeing the most of the Principle Poligars [illegible]
as the former, and to those from whom no Peshcush is due. I expressed myself satisfied with their punctuality, - to such as were in Arrears, I pointed out the necessity of settling their accounts expeditiously with Mr. Lushington of whom I told them I should enquire whether they had paid proper atten-tion to my advise, I then proceeded to inform them that my principal incline for calling upon them at that time was to read to them a Procla-tion (of which I gave to each a copy) which would fully explain to them the measures which I was ordered by Government to adopt, and on the sub-ject of which I was obliged to reason and to argue with them at great length. - I farther told them that my Duty called upon me to see the Orders of Government carried into execution to the fullest extent, and that it was my determination to do so -

I now observed to them that I had reason to be dissatisfied with every return of Arms which I had received, as I was perfectly convinced there must be a Mistake in return-ing so few - that I should however forget this Circumstance - I told them they would see by the Proclamation that I had given them to the 20 of this Month to Surrender their Arms and Pikes, by which time I trusted all the fire Arms and Pikes in their respective Pollams, without paying regard to the small number included in their Returns, would be delivered up - I cautioned every one of them, as they valued being supported in the possession of their Pollams against secreting a single Pike or fire Arms -

I then told the Poligars that there were two modes of carrying into effect the orders of Government as signed by the Pro-clamation - the one was that they should give their orders to destroy the Forts and collect the arms and deliver the latter to Officers whom I should send with small parties to receive them, and see that the Forts were properly demolished - The other mode was that I should March with the whole of my Detachment through their Pollams, and see the orders of Government carried into execution - I acquainted them that I was prepared for either, but left the Choice with them. - that in the event of the Detachment Marching all the Head Poligars must attend me

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in the Camp — if the other mode were to be adopted, the Poligars should remain with me at Hytar and send their Managers with small parties which I should direct to proceed and superintend the execution of the Company's orders. 62

I assured them that as soon as I had received reports that the Arms had been surrendered and the Forts demolished each man should be permitted to return in peace to his own Pollam.

Before my interview was over I believe I may venture to assert that I obtained from the Poligars their fullest consent to the Demolition of their Forts and surrender of their Arms — They seemed also convinced by my arguments that it would be more creditable for them to destroy their own Forts, than to have the business done by our Pioneers — and they did not appear insensible to the mischief that would be prevented by keeping so large a Detachment of their Pollams, the apprehension of which I did not fail to raise as much as possible.

I have much pleasure in being able to report to you that last of the parties which I found it necessary to detach to superintend the Demolition of the Forts and the collection of the Arms, left Hytar this morning, and that the Poligars have sent their Managers and positive orders with the Different parties to see that the orders of Government —

The Troops which I have detached on this service consists of the whole of the 1st Btn 3d Regt and a detail of about 250 men from the 1st Batn 13 Regt. The Head Poligars themselves have agreed to remain with me at Hytar till I shall be satisfied with the orders which they have sent by their Managers are obeyed — I cannot omit reporting in this place that I had created in the Poligars, before we parted, so anxious a desire to appear forward in complying with the orders of Government, that some of them even requested that I would obtain for them the assistance of Coolies from the Circar Villages in their neighbourhood, to assist in Demolishing their Forts, and that I have in consequence applied for the necessary orders from the Nabobs Cutcherries which shall be immediately forwarded to the Villages most contiguous to the Pollams in which such assistance has been required — The Coolies are to be paid at the expense of the Poligar whose Fort they assist to Demolish.

I have much reason at present to believe that by the plan in which I have got the Poligars to acquiesce, every Fort in the Pollams amounting to 42. will be effectually destroyed before the end of this Month - with respect to the Arms, I am not so sanguine in my hopes of their being all surrendered so readily, the prejudices and long habits of the Poligars appear <u>the Treasure</u>, but the carrying into execution the threats held forth in the Proclamation, in a very few instances at first, will soon overcome their partiality to the Custom of carrying Arms and convert the armed Poligar into a tame, and peaceable cultivator of the soil - when the Shevagherry Poligar was with me during the first interview, I took occasion, in consequence of a previous communication with Mr. Lushington to make enquiries about his son, who I find had surrendered himself to his Fathers authority. - I observed that my touching on this subject created a great alarm in the Poligar which I took no pains to remove, but proceeded to state to him that the conduct of his son who had followed the evil Councils of that Vellean Maplyvannien had caused the most serious disturbances, and that it become absolutely necessary to make strict enquiry into the business - I studiously protracted the conversation on this subject, till I had made the Father think that his son was destined to share the same fate as Subramoneya Pilly and the Brother of the Naglapore Poligar when I said that I was sorry to observe him so much concerned for a worthless son, whose exertions has been so repeatedly used to drive him his father, from the Pollam and to usurp his place, particularly as Government felt, at the present crisis the strong necessity of punish-ing such Character as his son - That however, with a view of attaching the Shevagherry Poligar more and more to the Companys Interests, I would take upon myself to promise that his son should have another trial, but that I must insist upon his being ordered to Kytar, that I might explain to him, in presence of his father, that to him he was a second time indebted for his exertion - for to his intercession I had yielded, and should not inflict upon him the punishment he deserved, not only for his inhuman conduct to a good Father, but

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also for having dared so often to disturb the tranquility of the Country in direct contempt of the Authority of that Government which he was leaved to respect -

I concluded by desiring the Poligar to send immedi- ately for his son, and by expressing my hopes that my administrations to him would secure not only his future good behaviour to his Father, but his respect to Government. I further expressed a hope that the Shevagherry man would himself give his son a proper example of obedience to authority by paying a scrupulous attention to the measures, which I was charged at this time to be carried into effect on the part of the Company.

I feel confident that this conversation with the Shevagherry Poligar had a great effect in obtaining from him at my second interview so ready an assent to the measure of demolishing his Fort, and disarming his people, and I hope it will not be considered by Govern- ment that the objects was too clearly purchased by taking upon myself to promise forgiveness for the sons past misconduct which I felt authorized to do by the 11 Paragraph of my instructions -

Such weighty objection were made to the measures of disarming those Peons by a few of the Poligars, who have the Collieries for their neighbours, that I shall think it my duty to bring them under the consideration of Government under early address - I have in the mean time taken such steps as will effectually prevent the Evils which they apprehended without consenting that any thing should retard the measure of disarming -

I have the honor to be &c &c &c

(Signed) John Bannerman

Camp Kytar
5th October 1799

(A true Copy)

(Signed) John Bannerman
Major Com.d

Translation of a Proclamation to all Poligars, Land Holders, and Inhabitants of every description within the Countries com- monly called the Tinnevelly Pollams

Whereas it has been already fully and dis- tinctly explained to all the Poligars, Land Holders and Inhabitants of every description within the Countries commonly called the Tinnevelly Pollams,

by the Proclamations issued by the Collector Mr. Lushington under date
the 5th September 1799. why Government has at this time found it necessary
to assemble a large force in the Tinnevelly Country under the command of
Major John Bannerman — and whereas that officer has also by his Proclama-
-tions of the 13th and 18th of last month, September, explained the powers with
which he was vested and shewn what measures he was first obliged to adopt
in obedience to the orders of Government — Now be it known that Major
Bannerman hereby proceeds to explain to all Poligars, Landholders, and In-
-habitants of every description, what still remains to be done in order
to the full Execution of the Instructions he has received from Government, and
he calls upon the head Poligars, not only for ready and implicit Obedience of
all such orders as he may find it necessary to give on this Occasion, but
for their assistance to carry into the fullest effect such further measures as
have been determined upon by Government for the future protection and
Management of their Pollams, and to prevent a repetition of those petty wars
and disturbances which have so often brought Calamity and ruin into these
Countries, and been the Cause of the destruction and oppression of so many
of the Inhabitants — Be it therefore now known that to effect
these salutary purposes Government have determined to take upon themselves
the sole protection and Defence of the Tinnevelly Pollams, and to destroy
all the Forts at present standing in the several Pollams, with all the
Guns and wall pieces found in them — and to take from all the Poligars
those firelocks, Match Locks, and Pikes now in their possession and of which
they have heretofore made so bad an use.

Major Bannerman therefore calls upon all
the head Poligars to commence immediately upon the destruction of all the
Forts in their several Pollams, and he further strictly enjoyns them to
send all Guns, Gingal Pieces, Firelocks, matchlocks and Pikes now in
their possession, or in the possession of any of the Inhabitants, and deli-
-ver them over to those Officers who have been sent with Detachments
into their Pollams to receive them, and whose names have been given to
the different Head Poligars now assembled at Kytar —

Major Bannerman orders that all the
Forts may be destroyed in the Course of this Month, and that all the

Guns

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Guns, Guyal Pieces, Firelocks, Match locks, and Pikes may be collected and delivered up to the Officers appointed to receive them before the 25th of this Month, which Officers will grant receipts for the same to the Persons who shall be appointed by the Poligars to deliver them up –

And whereas Major Bannerman has much reason to suspect that the account which he has called for from the different Head Poligars, of the Numbers of Peons each had in his service and of the Quality and number of Arms which they used, are not correct, be it known therefore that he now calls upon all Sherogars, Cawulgars, Peons and other Inhabitants of every description who have been inhabets of carrying Arms, to desist from such practise and to employ themselves for the future like good and peaceable Inhabitants in the Cultivation and improvement of their Lands, thereby recommending themselves to the favor of the Company – for it is determined that every Sherogar, Cawulgar, Peon or other Inhabitant who may be found after the 20th of the present Month, armed with a Firelock, Match lock or Pike, or having such Arms concealed in their Houses or Villages or in any part of the Pollams to which they belong, shall be hanged for having presumed to act in direct disobedience of the positive orders of Government as now signified to them –

All the head Poligars are hereby warned that they will in future be held responsible that the Inhabitants of their respective Pollams conduct themselves like peaceable Inhabitants – they are therefore to caution and give the strictest Orders to the Head Man of their different Villages on this Subject – for if it shall be hereafter found that the tranquility of the Country has been disturbed by parties committing acts of violence injustice or Depredation in any part of the Country, the Poligar of the Pollam to which the parties committing these outrages belong, will be considered as having forfected the protection of that Government under whose protection he lives, his Pollam will consequently be sequestered and he himself otherwise proceeded against as Government may judge necessary for the support of their authority and the punishment of the disturbers of the Peace and tranquility of these Countries –

Given under my hand in Camp at Kylas
this 4th October 1799 (Signed) J. Bannerman

(A true Copy) (Signed) J. Bannerman

To Mr. S. R. Lushington
Collector at
Assigned Peshcush

Sir

I request the favor of you to forward an account shewing the Quantity and value of the Grain imported by you belonging to the Nagore and Tanjore Districts, separately, and that you will transmit an account of Sales in the Manner directed by the Board

I am &ca &ca (Signed) George Read
A. R. Bo

Fort St. George
28th. September 1799

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector &ca. Ramnad

Sir

I have the honor to forward you the Monthly abstract of the Native Doctor stationed with the details at Wootapa Naigue Pollam

I am &ca. &ca.
(Signed) N. M. Smyth
Lieut. Comd.

Madura
1st. October 1799

Expenses attending the Vizeting the Pearl Banks

1 In Shadulalavens Boat						
To 1 Boat Tondel one Months pay	1	9½	"			
To 12 Lascars Do Do each 15 f.s	10	"	"			
To 1 Munday to direct the Pearl Banks one Month	1	12	"			
To 2 Divers Do Do	2	4	"			
To Boat Rent Do Do	1	12	"	17	1½	
2 In Voodoor Shady Talavanars Boat						
To Batta to the said Man one Month 3 f.s pr Day	5	"	"			
To 1 Boat Tondel Pay Do Do						
To 12 Lascars Do Do each 15 f.s	1	9½	"			
To 1 Munday to direct the Pearl Banks Do	10	"	"			
To 2 Divers Do Do	1	9½	"			
To Boat Rent Do Do	2	4	"			
	1	12	"	21	17	"
3 In Coneably Moors Boat						
To 1 Months Batta to the said Man 3 f pr Day	5	"	"			
To 1 Months Pay to One Tondel of the Boat	1	9½	"			
To Do Do 12 Lascars Do each 10	8	6	"			
To Do Do 1 Munday to direct the Pearl	1	4½	"			
To Do Do 2 Divers Banks	2	4	"			
To Do Do Boat Rent	1	12	"	20	5	"
4 Shenna Oldupparars Boat						
To 1 Months Batta to the said Man 1 fm pr Day	1	12	"			
To Do Do pay to Tondel	1	9½				
To Do Do to 8 Lascars 10 f.s	6	12	"			
To Do Do to 1 Munday to direct	1	9½	"			
To Do Do Rent of the Boat	1	12	"	15	5	
5 Davood Machres Boat						
To 9 Days pay for One Munday	"	1⅓	"			
To 2 Do Do 11 Lascars	"	11	"			
To Do Do Boat Rent	"	2	"	"	14⅓	"
Keelakary Boats						
To 15 Days Batta for 2 Boats Tondels	1	9½				
To 15 Do Do 14 Lascars	5	15	"			
To 15 Do Do 12 Divers	6	12	"			
To 15 Do Do Rent of the Boat	1	12	"	15	12½	
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A Monsieur S. R. Lushington
Collector - at Ramnad

Monsieur,

Ci Jointe Je vous presente la Rolle des C. A. Serviteur de la Hob: Campe Hollandoise presentment à Cetty Cole, conjointement leur 22 Quitances montand a une somme d St. Pag 255.4.18.Ct. je vous sollicite Monsieur de vouloier avoir la Conter de remettre le susdit montant au Porteur de celle-cy-

Vous trouverez cette fois cy Monsieur une demunition de S. Pag à Ct accasionel, puisque l'ecrivan Johan Francois Wilschut non seulment n'est pas de retour icy mais à Marquer de donner son Quitance celon le bruit a cause de Maladie - ainsi Monsieur il dependera de votre generositte d'en disponner -

(Signed) Wm Vandpall

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30th September 1799-

S. R. Lushington Esqr
Collector &ca &ca

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date - The several objects comprehended in my Commission being on the eve of Completion, I see no particular purpose to be answered by your remaining longer in Camp - I beg you to accept my unfeigned acknowledgements for your able assistance and cordial co-operation in prosecuting the several objects entrusted to our arrangement.

I shall pay due attention to your request on the subject of the Deshcaval and obtain the statements you require -

I have the honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) J. Bannerman
Major Comg

Camp at Keytar
8th October 1799-

To S. R. Lushington Esqr

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 30th ultimo requesting that I will make you acquainted what advancement I have made on account of the Ship Princess Royall. I lose no time to inform you that it amounts to 1426 Rs Pagodas 4 Gold fanams 13 Cash which sum I have been principally under the necessity of borrowing not being in my possession any

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any of the Companys Money — I shall [illegible] favor if you will transmit me the amount, or enclose an order for the same payable at Nagapatam and I shall have the pleasure to forward you the voucher for the said amount — I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.

(Signed) George Thompson
Resident

Nagapatam
5th October 1799 —

To Mr. S. R. Lushington
Collector at
Ramnad —

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22d. ultimo, and to desire you will forward to the Board a statement of the additional expences incurred by landing the Cargo of Rice by the Princess Royal at Nagapatam instead of Paumbum, They entirely approve your holding the owners answerable for the amount —

I am &ca. &ca.

Fort St. George
2d. October 1799

(Signed) J. B. Travers
Secy.

To Mr. S. R. Lushington
Collector at Ramnad

Sir,

I have to inform you that the Sum of Str. Pagodas 265.32. is Carried to your debit in the Revenue Cash account & being the Value of Paddy and Copper sent you on the 29th. January last for which you will be pleased to obtain and forward a Bill made payable to the Board of Revenue.

I am &ca. &ca.

Fort St. George
3d. October 1799 —

(Signed) George Read
A.R.B.

S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad

Sir,

As I shall have some dispatches to forward for the Honble. Court of Directors by the Ships now preparing to sail from Fort St. George about the 15 Instant —

May I therefore request you will have the goodness to order Express Peons to be posted on the Road between Ramnad and

and Nagapatam for the purpose of conveying these Despatches to Madras more speedily than the usual Tappaul – I expect to despatch them from hence on the 5th or 6th Instant

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I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) Frederic North

Columboo
3d. October 1799

To R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector of Ramnad

Sir,

I this morning received under a Guard ten Prisoners and have placed them in custody until I may receive instructions from you, I have ordered the Officer of the Main Guard to allow your Servants to have free communication with them – should the Prisoners be in want of subsistence I presume it will not be improper in me, applying to you –

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.
(Signed) William Elliot – Lt Comt.

Palamcottah
6th October 1799

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector of Pesheush &ca.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter of the 2d. Instant, and agreeable to your Instructions therein mentioned, have taken charge of the Person of the Colalore Poligar.

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.
(Signed) M. Martinz

Ramnad
7th October 1799

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector of Poligar Peicheush &ca.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 2d. Instant, and agreeable to your Instructions therein mentioned have taken charge of the Person of the Colarputty Poligar –

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.
(Signed) M. Martinz

Ramnad
7th October 1799

S. Lushington Esqr.
&ca. &ca. &ca.

Sir,

I beg leave to refer you to my letter of the [illegible] instant respecting express Peons being posted between Ramnad

and Nagapatam for the more speedy conveyance of my Despatches to Madras intended to go home by the ships now there, These Despat-
-ches I now send off & have no doubt of your forwarding them with every possible expedition. I have the honor to be &ca &ca

(Signed) Frederic North.

Columboo
6th October 1799

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector Kytar

Sir,

We are favored with your letter of the 1st Instant informing us of your permission to remain for the present at Manapara, for which we beg leave to offer you the most sincere and grateful thanks of

Sir &ca &ca

(Signed) { W Grattan
Albrecht

Manapar
October 3d. 1799

To Mr. S. Lushington
Collector of Polygar Peishcash and Ramnad

(Circular) Sir

I am directed by the Board to annex Extract of a letter from Government dated 5th. Instant to which they desire your parti-
-cular attention.

"Having authorized the several Commercial Resi-
"dents to commence an investment on an extensive scale; we desire that
"the Collectors may be authorized to comply with their respective indents, to
"the extent of their means, after satisfying the Revenue and Military
"demands in their Districts".

I am &ca &ca

J. B. Travers
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Fort St. George
7th. October 1799.

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.

Sir, I have received your letter of the 30th ultimo requesting that I will make you acquainted what advancement I have made on account of the Ship Princess Royal.

I lose no time to inform you that it amounts to 1426 Porto Novo Pagodas 4 Gold fanams 13 Cash which

which Sum I have been principally under the necessity of borrowing not being in my possession any of the Company's Money. I shall therefore Esteem it a favor If you will transmit to me the Amount, or Enclose an Order for the same payable at Nagapatam, and I shall have the pleasure to forward you the Vouchers for the said Amount -

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.

(Signed) George Thompson Lt.

Nagapatam
5 October 1799

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To S. Lushington Esqr.

Sir,

Your letter of the 2d. Instant reached me yesterday afternoon and in consequence I dispatched the Poligar of Coterpettel in a Palanquen for Ramnad this Morning, in charge of a Havildar Naique and 12 Sepoys accompanyed by your letter to Colol. Martinz -

I have the Honor to be &ca. &ca.

Thos. Tichborne Lt. Comg. Naglapore

Naglapore
4th. October 1799 -

P.S. I advanced the Poligar 4 Pagodas for his Expences on the Road

To Mr. S. R. Lushington -
Collector of Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th. ultimo and to desire you not to depute your assistant Mr. Grome to examine the Pearl Banks of Tuticorin until further Orders. The Board approve of the Chank Fishery at that place being kept under Aumauny - I am &ca. &ca.

(Signed) J. B. Travers Sy.

Fort St. George
5th. October 1799

Stephen Lushington Esqr.

Sir,

I have again the Satisfaction to inform you of the Safety of the Prisoners, under my charge at this place - They have all behaved themselves with great propriety hitherto.

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.

(Signed) T. Turner Lt. Comg. Dt.

Camp Nagore
7th. October 1799

To S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad.

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22d. ultimo and to express his thanks for the readiness and activity with which you have complied with his wishes.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

(Signed) Hugh Cleghorn Secy to Gt.

Columboo
9th October 1799

S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector &ca &ca Ramnad.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit you the abstract &ca for the Month of September 1799.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

(Signed) Charles Dighton
Comg Shevelapotore

Shevelapotore
October 10th 1799.

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 11th Instt and the Dispatches from His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon, on the 12th Instant at 10 O'Clock in the Night, and I have agreeable to your request transmitted it directly to the Presidency.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca

(Signed) John Janoz

Nagore
13th October 1799.

To Mr. S. Lushington
Collector of Poligar Peeshcush and Ramnad

(Circular)

Sir

I am directed by the Board to transmit you the following Extract of a letter from Government dated 5th October and to desire your particular attention thereto.

"We are sensible of the necessity of punishing every appearance of disrespect to the authority of the Company & that we desire you to recommend the utmost degree of Vigilance in this respect to the several Collectors within whose districts free Merchants may have been permitted to reside."

I am &ca &ca

Signed J. B. Travers Secy

Fort St. George
10 October 1799.

To S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector &ca. &ca. at Ramnad 68 135

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of date the 12th. Instant, in reply to which I beg leave to inform you that Mr. Torreano and Mr. Grant has allowed Three pr Cent wastage on Grain from this to Davepatam which I told Captn. Ringmell off who said that he would inform you of the same -

The owners of the Donies that I engaged on which the Rice was transhipped from the Princess Royal conceived that they would be allowed the same but I am doubtful if they can deliver it within the allowed for centage as, there is generally more loss occurs, in transhipping Grain from one Vessel to another then there is in Shipping it from the Shore -

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.

(Signed) Wm. Gay Beach Master -

Nagapatam
15th. October 1799 -

To Mr. S. Lushington
Collector of Poligar Pesheush and Ramnad -

Sir,

The Board direct me to return the Bills accompanying your assistant's letter of the 7th. July last, which Government have refused to accept on account of its not having been endorsed by you -

I am &ca. &ca. (Signed) J. B. Travers,
Secy.

Fort St. George
10th. October 1799 -

To S. Lushington Esqr.

Sir,

I had the honor to receive your letter, and agreeable to your request, shall lose no time, in getting the Boats with their people and Divers ready, the Boats wants a little repairs - should they want any Money in advance, as it is custom - be so good as to let me know, and I will advance them a little - and I will let you know the Moment they are ready -

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.

(Signed) J. Baggott Beach Master

Tutacoryn
9 October 1799 -

PS - I advanced five Pagodas to Boat Man that I detained to carry the Dutch Prisoners to Madras - J.B

Sir,

I beg leave to state the following Circumstances to you Vizt. I was Commander and owner of an English Ship Called the Henrutta, sailed from Bengal in December last for Amboyna and Banda was Captured in May last and carried to Batavia; from which place I got a way in an Areal Vessel who landed me at Anjengo where I procured a Country Boat to Colpatam & there Freighted a Nother to Convey me to Nagapatam and so on up the Coast till I find a Conveyance to Bengal — I have therefore to solicit the favor of you to grant me the necessary passports and will esteem as a particular favor your giving such orders as will prevent me being detained at Paman; as any delay at this late season of the year will interfere with my passage to the Coast as well as from thence to Bengall —

I am &ca. &ca. (Signed) Wm. Bornneville
Free Mariner —

Tutacoryn
16 October 1799

P.S. Myself Mr. T. H. Lairnon — Penter
3 Bengal Sepoys —
7 Servants — (Natives)

J. Lushington Esqr.,
Collector of Southern Peshcush —

Sir,

The disturbances occasioned by Vella dadoo Poojary Naigue the son of Yelloomuddy are so far from being appeased by the late examples in the South — that both himself and his father appear determined to give as much more trouble as possible —

Poojary Naigue with thirty Peons on the 6th. seized Mahalingum on the Amapollam Road near Etrasil within the Dindigul bounds — and confined him — this man belongs to the Sebbendy and made himself obnoxious to the Naigue by his means of intelligence.

The Yelloomuddy Polygar determined not to obey the Sirkar summons fled to the Paulcomby hill where he was on the 10th. — On the 9th. he sent a message to Guntup Naigue to request an asylum in his Comby of Naisingaporam for four Days — which was refused —

Vella Conda with ten Peons from Yelloomuddy arrived on the 10th at Guntup Naignoor and returned on the same

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same night to the Poligar — the reason of his coming is not known —

In addition to the Claim I have on this Poligar for aiding and abetting his son in the predatory and murderous excursions, he has been for three years accustomed to — I beg leave to call your attention to my letter of the 24th September 1796 now enclosed, and to request the favor of you to receive from the Pollem the amount the Poligar was security for —

Comareddy and Mynaaprecausem, the former the predecessor — the latter Sherogar of Poojary Naig — are also implicated in his Enemies — I beg the favor of you to demand them — Comareddy was the person chiefly instrumental in procuring the Deodaunaputty Pollam for Poojary Naigue — and has been always employed in the conveying aid from Yelloomaddy to Poojary Naigue —

I have the pleasure of enclosing proclamation I have found it necessary to issue respecting Poojary Naigue Comereddy and Mynapracauseem — to which I request the favor of your attention —

As I have great reason to suppose the Yellamada Poligar will attempt to get into the Hills above Ammeneauey and Veropatchee — I have directed the Tahsildars of Nettacottah — Pereya-Colem and Cutamapollam to endeavour to seize him should he enter the Dindigul Bounds —

In the hopes the Measures will have the goodness to take to secure the Eastern & South Eastern bounds of Dindigul from future depredations will be effectual — I have the honor to subscribe myself

&ca &ca (signed) T. B. Hurdis Collr

Matepollam
11th October 1799

George Powney Esqr.
Collector of Southern Peshcush

Sir,

The Poligar of Deradaunaputty Poojary Naigue owes nearly two years Peshcush — he has been frequently threatened and admonished but without effect —

Veera chinnana Naick Poligar of Yellamoody under your Jurisdiction gave security for the Peshcush of 1204 — Fasly the settlement was (3100) Three thousand one hundred Cully Chuckrs of

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of which (1240) twelve hundred and forty were received the Balance (1860) eighteen hundred and sixty must be Collected from his security as it cannot be got from the Poligar himself – I beg the favor of you to make enquiry into the Circumstances of the security – and if on investigation it should appear that the Balance should be paid by the Yellomoody Poligar that you will pursue such measures as may appear most proper for realizing it to the Circar –

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.

(Signed) T. B. Hurdis

(True Copy) (Signed) T. B. Hurdis

NB. Mr. Powney never informed the Collector of any steps whatever that he had taken to recover the Money –

Translation of a Proclamation from T. B. Hurdis Esqr. Collector at Dindigul – Notifying to all the Poligars Landholders Inhabitants Mahajenums and Merchants of every description within the Districts of Dindigul – That Nella Tadoo Poosal Naicken son of Ellamada and those league with him Viz – Comareddy Nana Prayasem and their adherents having observed very improper conduct towards the Circar and are become Criminals – That the abovementioned Poligars, Nattawars &ca. – shall neither directly or indirectly give shelter or refuge food Water or Expences whatever nor have any association with them such Poligars Nattawars or others who have disobeyed this order shall be considered as Enemies to the Circar and immediately punished by the Company according to their Merits –

Dated at Dindigul 11th. October 1799 –

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad –

Sir,

The Memorial of Gustaff Adolff Gratiaen, late second at Manapar and Christian Valentum Albrecht late second at Ponnecoil –

Humbly Sheweth –

That Your Memorialists are impressed with the highest sense of Gratitude for your kind and humane Indulgence

Indulgence in permitting them to return to their Families till a Reference to Government and it pleasure shall be known - when your Memorialists first received the order to repair to Madras, supposing their being married Men and the situation of their families entirely unknown to the Right Honble Lord Mornington: they took the liberty to present him with a Memorial - which they believe was forwarded to him by Mr. Gravie; but to which your Memorial Lists were never favored with any reply - a Duplicate of which they now take the liberty to send accompanying that you may see what was their instead - added to their then distressed situation, Mrs. Albrechts indisposition which induced your Memorialists to solicit your permission to return for a few days to see the event; is still in so dangerous a state, as to oblige them to retain the Doctor from Tuticoryn ever since in the House, the violence of the disorder has deprived her of the use of One side; and must be some Months should she live so long, before she can be supposed to be out of danger of her life - Your Memorialists in consequence earnestly solicit your kind and humane interposition with Government to defer their journey so long as can be done consistant with the plan they may have thought necessary to adopt

Your Memorialists are further impressed with their obligations for your intention to enquire more Minutely into their characters and conduct, conscious of their rectitude during the long Indulgence they have received from your Government. It afford them the Most sanguine hope, that it may be extended till that happy period when peace and amity shall be again restored between their Nation and yours -

G. A. Gratian one of your Memorialists has had the further indulgence to remain in the House which he occupied by virtue of his station before the war, but was ordered by Captn. Dawson a few days back to leave the same (perhaps with an Idea that Mrs. Gratian would remain with her sister during the absence of your Memorialists); but should he be permitted to stay and the House not wanted for public use, he flatters himself

with

with a further hope of obtaining your permission to return — For which and the infinite obligations your Memorealists already feel them=
=selves render to you — They will as in duty ever bound to Pray —

(Signed) { Wm. Grattan
C. Elbrecht

Manapar
October 13th. October 1799 —

To S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector &ca &ca. &ca. Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th. Instant in reply to which I beg leave to inform you that Mr. Torriano and Grant has allowed three Pr Cent I told Captn. Kingsmill off who said that he would inform you of the same —

The owners of the Dony's that I engaged on which the Rice was transhipped from the Princess Royal conceived that they would be allowed for vatage as there is generally more loss occurs in Transhipping Grain from one Vessel to a nother than there is shipping it from the Shore — I have the honor to be &ca &ca.

(Signed) W. L. Gay B M.

Nagapatam
15 October 1799.

To Mr. Stephen Lushington
Collector of Poligar Peeshcush and Ramnad

Sir,

By desire of the Board you will herewith receive copy of your Register of Bills for the month of August properly authenticated which is to serve as an acknowlegement of the Bills transmitted in the course of that month with such remarks annexed as appear necessary for your information respecting them —

I am &ca &ca.

(Signed) J. B. Travers Sy.

Fort St. George
10th. October 1799

S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector

Sir,

By desire of Major John Bannerman C. Commanding Southern Detachment, I have the honor to enclose you

your Accounts Disbursement of Cash and rice to the Country people employed in destroying the works, Fort, Buildings, and Pettah of Payalemcurchy under my direction — and to request you will be pleased to inform me to whom the Balances are to be paid —

I am &ca. &ca.
(Signed) E. B. Bagshaw
Lt Comg Sr Pioneers

Camp at Kylar
October 19th 1799

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector of the Southern Poligar Peshcush
Ramnad

Sir,

The accompanying Bills for the Cash supplied by you as pr. your Invoice of 3d. August should have been sent to you early in last Month, but which owing to a press of business at the time of its arrival was omitted, and which was not discovered until the preparing of my account of actual Receipts and Disbursements for the Month of September.

I have the honor to be &ca &ca
(Signed) Robert Hughes M.P.

Madura
21st October 1799

S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad

Sir,

I received early this Morning your letter of the 11th and am very much obliged to you for the trouble you have taken in forwarding my Dispatches. I had already written to the Presidency of Fort St. George to request that the Post might be established between Ramnad and Nagapatam, at the expence of my Government. I do not know how, in the hurry of Business here, notice of that application had not been sent to you — All expences incurred by that Establishment I will willingly take to the Charge of the Government of Ceylon, from the Eleventh of this Month, and will request you to continue it till you hear from your Government, if you think yourself authorized so to do —

I have the honor to be &ca. &ca.
Frederic North.

Columbo
17th October 1799

To

To: Mr. S. R. Lushington

Collector of Poligar Peishcush and Ramnad

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo together with 10,000 Portonova Pagodas, which shall be appropriated as you desire, but as the Exchange of this coin into Star Pagodas is very unfavorable at present 118 Portonova for 100 Stars and likely to be more so should further supplies arrive at this place they direct that you will forward no more, but adopt some other mode for paying for the amount of the Cargo of the Rice purchased by you at this place on account of the Company —

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) J. B. Travers

Sy.

Fort St. George
19th October 1799.

To Henry Sulivan Grome Esqr.

Acting Collector of the Southern Poligar Peishcush Ramnad

Sir,

Permit me to request of you an advance of 14400 Star Pagodas for my Disbursements of the ensuing Month, which if convenient do me the favor to dispatch to Kylar.

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) Robert Hughes

Majr.

Madura
25 October 1799.

To Mr. Lushington

Collector of the Poligars Peishcush and Ramnad

Sir,

The Board having laid before Government your letters of the 27th and 29th September apprising them of the Capture of the Panjalemcourchy Poligar by Tondeamen, and proposing to put the Manapara Pollams under the authority of the Collector of Dindigul — I am directed to transmit, for your information and guidance copy of their reply and to direct that you make over to the Collector at Dindigul the Manapara Pollams, should he state no inconvenience to the adjustment of the conquered countries by this charge being placed under him.

Government have also been pleased to consent to your deputing your Assistant Mr Grome to examine the [illegible]

Bank

Banks of Tuticoryn should you not have a better mode of Employing him -

I am &ca. &ca.

(Signed) J. B. Travers Sy. 72

Fort St. George
10th. October 1799 -

Extract of a letter from Government to the Board of Revenue
Dated 12th. October 1799 -

Our approbation of his Conduct in apprehending the Poligar of Panjalemcoorchy, has already been conveyed to Tondeman by the Right Honble the Governor -

We have no objection to the transfer of the Manapara Poligars. from the charge of the Collector of Poligar Peishcush to that of the Collector of Dindigul provided that the measure shall be attended with no inconvenience to the latter. in the adjustment of the conquered Territories, lately added to his Division -

We shall obtain the sentiments of his Excellency the Governor of Ceylon on the Fishery of Tuticoryn - In the meanwhile the Collectors assistant may be deputed to examine the Banks. if the present situation of the Southern Province does not afford a better mode of employing him - (Above Extract)

S. W. Ellis Act. Asst. -

To Mr. S. Lushington
Collector of the Poligar Peishcush and Ramnad

Sir

By desire of the Board you will herewith receive your register of Bills for the Month of September properly authenticated which is to serve as an acknowledgement of the Bills transmitted in the course of that Month with such remarks annexed as appear necessary for your information respecting them -

I am &ca. &ca. (Signed) J. B. Travers Sy.

Fort St. George
20 October 1799

To S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector &ca.

Sir

As I understood that Mr Gratian has leave

leave to remain to the Southward. I beg leave to submit to you the propriety of desiring him to remove from Manapara to any of the other Dutch Dependencies, where the influence of his former situation may not be likely to act, as I have reason to think it has done of late, to the detriment of the Hon.ble Company's Investment –

I am &ca. &ca.

(Signed) J. Kenworthey
Coml. Rt.

Tinnevelly
26. October 1799 –

To Mr. J. Lushington
Collector of Poligar Peishcush and Ramnad.

Sir,

The Board direct me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9.th Instant together with its enclosures, and to inform you that with regard to the Moyenzabitahs therein transmitted, they can form no correct Opinion thereon, having no accurate informa-tion of the gross Value of the Pollams, and revenues therewith connec-ted – by the Statements received from your Predecessors, they were valued including the Desheaval &ca. at 99,650 Chs and your proposed establish-ment the Board perceive amounts to 24,312 Chs. pr. Annum about 24 % pr. Cent of the Estimated Gross Revenue, there can therefore, be no doubt but you will soon be enabled to make very considerable deductions in the present state of affairs, – however the Board can only leave it to your discretion being satisfied, you will exert the utmost possible economy in carrying these desirable arrangements into execution –

The Board will hereafter transmit to you orders on the Subject of Tent allowance applied for by you –

I am &ca. &ca.

(Signed) J. B. Travers
Sy.

Fort St. George
October 21st. 1799 –

A. Monsieur St. R.t Lushington
Collector at Ramnad –

Monsieur –

Ci Jointe Jai l'honneur de vous le presente –

présenté la Rolle des C. d. Deserteurs de la Noble Compagnie Hollandoise à cette Côte; conjointement leur 19 - Quitances mont. d'une somme de St Pagodas 194 „ 17. 24. and Je vous Sollicite Monsieur de voulour avoir la Complaisance de faire Remettre Cette Montant, au Porteur de celly cy

(Signed) Godfried Stiegling.

Tutucoryn
le 31st. October 1799

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To Henry Frome Esqr.
Assistant Collector

Sir,

I have the honor of receiving yours with respecting visiting the Pearl Banks, I think it will be impossible to visit the Banks within course eight or Ten days, as the weather is so cloudy, the Divers will not be able to see the Oysters in fadam water I think there will be changement in the weather, in two or three Days after the first Quarter of the Moon which will be one the 6th.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient
Servant

Tutucoryn
31st. October 1799

(Signed) J. Boggott
Beach Master

To The Right Honble Lord Clive
Governor & President in Council
Fort St. George

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My Lord,

It is with the greatest satisfaction that I take this opportunity of expressing to your Lordship in Council the gratefull sense which I feel of the exertions of Mr. Collector Lushington & Colonel Martinz & of their ready & Obliging compliance with the many requests which I have been Obliged to make to them to send me the persons & papers of such Individuals settled in their Districts, as might serve to elucidate the enquiry now going on here, into the administration of the late Pearl Fishery.

Columbo.
16th October 1799.

My Lord
Your Lordships
Most Obedient Faithful Servant
(Signed) Frederic North

True Copy
A Blake
Asst to Govr

S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad

Sir

I have the honor to communicate to you a letter Writen by his Excellency the Governor of Ceylon to the Right Honble the Governor in Council of Fort St. George, on the 16th instant. — His Excellency left Columbo on the 20th for Chilau to Superintend a treal of the Pearl Banks there —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obt. Hbl. Servant
(Signed) Will. Boyd.
P. Secty. to the Governor

Colombo
22 October 1799.

P.S. It is proposed to fish the Banks of Chilau in February next

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S. R. Lushington Esqr.

Collector Polygar Peshcush &c

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to transmit you a Copy of a Letter, which I yesterday received from Mr. Greme, your Head Assistant together with my answer to him and to request that you will be pleased to intimate to me your Decision respecting the public Building in Question —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obt. Humble Servant
(Signed) Wm. Davison
Capt. Comd. at Tuticorin

Tuticoryn
November 2d 1799 —

To Captain Davison
Commanding at Tuticoryn

Sir

I have the honor to enclose Extract from a Memorial addressed to the Collector of Ramnad &c. by Messrs. Gratian and Albracht and to request that you will put into Mr. Gratian's possession again the house in which he was accustomed to reside at Manapar —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your &c &c.
(Signed) H. Greme
Asst. Collr.

Pandalumcourchy
1st November 1799 —

true Copy
WDavison —

Extract from a Memorial of Messrs. Gratian and Albracht dated 13th October 99 —

G. C. Gratian, one of your Memorialists has had the further Indulgence to remain in the House which He occupied by vertue of his station before the War but was ordered by Captain Davison a few days back to leave the Same (perhaps with an Idea that Mrs. Gratian would remain with her Sister during the absence of your Memorialists) but should he be permitted to say and the house not wanted for public use, he flatters himself with a further hope of obtaining your permission to return —

(True Extract) (Signed) H. Greme
Asst. Collr.

WDavison —

To H. Graeme Esqr.
Head Assistant
to the Collector of Polygar Peishcush

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of yesterdays Date, enclosing an Extract from a Memorial addressed to the Collector of Ramnad by Messrs. Gration and Albrecht. Mr. Grations Statement in that Extract is incorrect, I did not order him to quit the public Building in Question, but at the time Mr. Gration was here, receiving the advance on Account of his Expences for his Journey to Madras, which Mr. Lushington, had desired me to pay. I did intimate to them, as I understood that Mr. Gration was to live with his sister Mrs. Entink, that the Guard at Manapar which is in charge of the public Buildings there, would also take charge of that House, being a public Building. I did not expect when Mr. Gration got Permission to remain at Manapar, that I should hear any thing more respecting the house, which Mr. Gration had not then quitted, but a few days after his Return there, he addressed a Letter to me saying that he had conformably to verbal Order I had given him, quitted that House and desiring to know, to whom he should deliver the Key, this Letter I forwarded to Mr. Lushington and stated to him that the Guard there was in charge of the public Buildings, desiring that the Key's might remain with the Guard there, I have the honor to cover to you his Answer on that Head and as his decision has been so recent on it I have referred your letter to him for his Instructions. It must appear singular that Mr. Gration should have chosen to quit the House, in order to Memorial to be put in Possession of it again, he cannot however be inconvenienced by a Reference to Mr. Lushington as he is understand, with his sister Mrs. Entink, a Widow without a Family, in the Large Factory House at Manapar. I transmit a Copy of my letter to Mr. Lushington enclosing yours of Yesterday.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your &c. &c.

Tuticoryn
2 November 1799

(Signed) M. Davison
Captain Comt. at Tuticoryn

To the Worshipful S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector &c. &c. &c.

The Humble Petition of the 6 Peoples Vizt. Tokalummal Mother of Maphy Naig, Punjumuntangee Ammal Eldest Mother, Nanacunnamal, Eswararavaduwo Ammaul, Soundara vaduwo Ammal, & Candymady Ammal Wives of Maphy Naigs.

The next day when we left the Pandalum country

Pandalumcourchy We (male & female) deposed our Sol trust & Dependance greatly to the Honble Companys Protection went to Captain Davison & desired them to acquaint of our coming to them to the Honble Company as we have none except their favor — Accordingly ordered us & our Relations to wait upon, where we staid upon the same premises Captain Davison four or five days afterwards carried all of our Males to the Camp — & at last we heard they are taken into Confinement, but we considered whilst we came to their Protection, must admit to whatever it May happen, under this consideration spared to ourselves while it was so. The Managers of Lalah Saheb, arrested of our Joys, Cloths Brass Potts, Cattle, & Sheeps &c. Seized some of our Peoples and Beated them to discover the Joys &c. &c. and Received information of the Places where it was Kept in sent Sepoys & Badjing Peons, seized them with those Peoples who had the Charge of it & confined also, delivered to Laula Saheb who examined them and asked whose property it belonging to — they Replied it was of Mopply Naigs — Laula Saheb ordered those Peoples to give their declaration that the Joys are given by the Poligar to his Sister the wives of Mopply Naigs — our father had four Wives, Amongst them the present Cutta Bommo Naig is only a Son to the Eldest Wife — Comara Sawmey Naik and Candy mady Ammal to the Second Wife, & 3. Daughters to the 3. Wife two Girls & Womah Iyah to the 4.th the Presst Poligar is not born with any of us — This Joys is not either made or given by him, but by our father, which you can understand if an enquery is made, We are now under the Dependance of the Honble Company's Protection, our Males are totally taken into confinement — besides that we came under Much distressed Situation for want of subsistence Therefore you will be merry Enough to Restore our Joys &c &c. and preserve Us — for which act of Charity we shall bound ourselves to pray ever

2nd November 1799.

To Henry Sulivan Grame Esqr.

Acting Collector Southern Poligar Peshcush

Ramnad —

Sir,

Herewith I have the honor to enclose Bills in Triplicate upon the Military Paymaster General for Star Pagodas 9101. 19. 23. & have the honor to be

Madura
29th October 1799.

Sir
Your &c &c.
(Signed) Robt. Hughes
Paymaster

To H Grame Esqr.

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To M Greme Esq.
&c &c

Sir

I am this Moment favoured with your letter of the 24th Instant &
Covering a Sette of Bills in my favour for 8000 Pagodas —

I beg leave to refer you to a letter I addressed to Mr. Collector
Lushington under date the 6th of this Month in which I intimated these advances
were no longer to pass thro' the Tanjour Treasury — but that you are to comply —
with the Paymaster Demands as formerly — I also addressed a letter to Mr.
Hughes to this Effect in consequence beg leave to Return to you the above Bills —

I am Sir
Your &c &c
(Signed) Benjn Torin
Resident

Tanjore
27th October 1799 —

From the Phouzdar at Tinnevelly, to the Collector dated 28th October 1799. Receiv 4th Nov.

Acknowledging the Collectors letter dated the 19th Zamathe al awol —
answering to 19th October Recapitulating the Contents thereof — and replying thereto as follows —

When the Crop of the Cowle pautom Lands require cutting, it has ever been
the Custom for the Vackeels of the Poligars to attend the Circar Cutcherry, & to obtain &
permission for Cutting the Crop, after making the necessary adjustment — this Moment
has however neither been observed by the Vackeels, nor has the Circar Monigars prevented
the Cutting of the Crops, at present on the Ground; On the Contrary one Monygarr observed
to the poligarr people that the Crop was perishing by not being cut & heaped in due &
season, and why they delayed applying as usual to the Circar for permission — the Vackeels
avoid making any appearance at the Circar Cutcherry — Our people having, to this effect,
questioned the Chokumpatty's Vackeel (probably at Nytar) in presence of Major Banner=
=mans Dubash and the Gomastah of Thomas Perry, he was silent —

By the favor of the God, the Nabob & the Company have preserved a good understan=
=ding for these fifty years & upwards, and whilst it is so, how can our people manifest any
opposition towards the people who are immediately under the Company —

I worte you a letter by Tappal acquainting you, that
your people were proving troublesome to the Circar Monigarrs of Allowar Tinnevelly.
Stra Vygoontum, Attoor, & Natporum, & that they were improperly drawing the
Marawarrs & Totum - Cawelcars to them — by reading that letter you will under=
=stand better — I wish for your favor in the hope that you will render me your
[illegible] matters, that I may thereby be enabled to manage without difficul=
[illegible] ties

difficulties — If your people should so frequently prove a bar between us, how shall I be able to man[age]
I am always wishing for your favor, and am hopeful you will at all times treat justly with me —

To W. Greme Esqr.
Acting Collector

Sir,
I enclose for your information, a translation of an Oley from the Mellapollam Gomastah. As the sum plundered from the Hadianellore weavers is of serious amount to a set of poor people I hope you will take immediate Measures for obtaining Restitution of their property —

I am Sir
Your &c.
(Signed) J. Kenworthy —
Commerl. Resident

Tinnevelly
29th October 1799.

Translation of an Oley from the Melpollam Gomastah

I before had cause to Complain of Shetheryan, Conduct to the Kulladacourchy Weavers since when He has given back the Bond. He has taken from them — I also informed You that the Shocumputty Vellia Teavom Man Poovanalingum had oppressed the Weavers of Hadianellore and forced from them a Bond for one hundred & eighty Six Chuckrums at of which He had collected Ninety Chuckrums till this time neither Money or Bond have been Returned. The Broker and Weavers say that they are poor people & hope you will obtain them restitution of both —

To W. Greme Esqr.
Acting Collector

Sir,
I enclose you translation of an Oley from My Alvar Tinnevelly Gomastah, and hope you will be able to make Some Arrangement by which the Weavers may be Reimbursed

I am Sir
Your &c.
(Signed) J. Kenworthy —
Commt. Resident

Tinnevelly
4th November 99 —

Translation of an Oley from the Alvar Tinnevelly Gomastah —

In the Marriage of Kataba naigs Vackell Soobramoney Pillays Son, the Polygarr Man Konarunary Soobramaney Pillay took from the Alvar Tinnevelly Savaramungalum, Makeeloarnaporam, Weavers Cloths to the Amount of thirty Chuckms. nine fanams, This the Weavers Complained of when Mr. Casamajor was at Alvar Tinnevelly and He ordered Me to go to Kallabonaig and explain to him this grievance as well as the trouble the Ponnoor Kowlcurra was making with the Weavers. I went accordingly & in consequence of my complaint the Poligar sent his Man Mortoo

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Mootoo Comaran Moneyagar to settle the Poonoor Business & to take back the Money for which the Cloths were sold — He came and ordered Soobramony Pilly to give back the thirty Chuckrams Nine fanams, He said He would give it Me back in twenty days & give me a Note to that Effect — at the Expiration of the term when I asked the Money, He put it off continually till I was forced to go to Palamcotah on Cloth Business when I borrowed Soobramonys Horse, before I returned with the Horse He had run away — I have delivered the Horse agreeable to order to the Tahsildar the Weavers have paid off their Balance except the thirty Chuckrams Nine fanams & they beg that the Horse may be sold — I have told them to wait for instructions from you —

H. Greme Esqr.

Assistant Collector Ramnad —

Sir,

I have received your letter & enclosure of the ult. in reply I transmit Copy of my letter to the Secretary to Revenue whence you will perceive I have no objection to your assigning over the charge —

I have to request you will collect from the Cutcherree all the Records relating to those transferred that I may be fully informed of every thing — respecting them — but in particular of all relative to Nuttum —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your &c. &ca. —
(Signed) J. B. Hurdis
Collr.

Dindegul
2. November 1799.

J. B. Travers Esqr.

Secretary to the Board of Revenue —

Sir,

In reply to your letter dated 19th October bearing postmark 21 and received the 26th Instant covering extract from Mr. Lushington of 27th September and Orders of Government of the 12th October regarding the transfer of the Manaparra Poligars, I have to beg you will inform the Board — that I can have no objection whatever to accede to any measure which may appear to benefit the Service and that my exertions shall not be wanting to justify such appearances —

But as the management of the Manaparra Poligars and of Nuttum Ramghorry Polliamolingie in particular depends on the quantum of force

force present to establish authority and as the disturbances of the Mellon collerees have ever been most severely felt in Nettum and are only now hushed by the union between them and the present self created Poligar and as the Nabobs Servants, repeated treats have shewn, are inadequate to the work of Restraining their depredations I have to express my hope that additional adequate means of enforcing obedience may be afforded me

And I am the more anxious on this Account both Ramgherry and Pellamolingee are entirely governed by Verapatchee whose conduct I have already brought before the Board – and who since the 24th Instant has been daily encreasing his rabble to oppose the Sirkar – this conduct the want of troops encourages – independent of his disposition to disobedience which unless soon checked may communicate – a bad example to others and it will not be extraordinary should this be the case when the Poligar disposition is considered, and that the 1st Battalion 14th Regiment very weak is the only force to protect the country under me an area of between Six and Seven thousand Square Miles –

Although I am not ambitious to increase my numbers of these sendatories yet I conceive the Service may be benefited by placing Whotapah Naigue and Dolapah Naigue under my Authority first by enabling me to advance my guards into the passes leading to the Aneoor Nauts and causing them as the Cawel-zcauras of the nauts to do their duty in preventing predatory excursions of the Colleries – and secondly by enabling Me to reduce the present heavy expence for Sibbendy –

as Mr. Collector Lushington is at Madras he might be consulted on this Measure which should it be approved of I have to hope will be quickly communicated to me –

I am Sir
Your &c &c

Dindegul
the 27 October 1799 –

(true Copy)

(Signed) J. R. Hurdis –
Collr.

J. Atwren Ed.

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To
H. Graeme Esqr.

Sir

I have the honor to enclose you a bill for one dooly and five Bearers doing duty with a detachment of the Ramnad Revenue Battalion – I also send you one for ten days Pay to the above from the 20th. to the 30th. Septr. last – Not wishing to trouble Mr. Lushington with so small an Account induced me to wait for the Opportunity of sending it with the Bill for October –

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obdt. Servant
(Signed) Henry Bowen Lieut.
Commt.

Addenore
1st. November
1799

To Mr. S: R: Lushington
Collector at
Assigned Peshcush

Sir,

I herewith enclose an Extract from the Proceedings of a Board of Audit dated 19th. October 1799

I am,
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Chas. Woodcock
D.A.B.R.

Fort St. George
20th. October 1799

Extract from the Proceedings of a Board of Audit –
Dated 19th. October 1799 –

Read Mr. Lushington's answer to audit of 8th. June 1799

1 – – – – – Requires no further remark
2 – – – – – Do. – – – Do. it being refunded
3 – – – – – Do. – – – Do.
4 – – – – – Passed
5 – – – – – Needs no further remark
6th. – – – – Mr. Jackson had no authority for this act, and the Collector will endeavour to find out his resources and secure his person. –
7 – – – – – Needs no further remark
8 – – – – – The report of the 26th. June relates to the Embezzlement of Rungapilly, and not the Revenue of 1208 – The Board therefore hope the expected report on the Revenue of 1208 will, now that the troubles have subsided, be soon transmitted –

(A true Extract)
(Signed) Chas. Woodcock
D: A: B: R

Stephen Lushington Esqr
Collector &c &c

Sir

I have the honor to enclose receipt of the deposed Poligar of Ramnad for his allowance due for the months of July & August, which were brought last Evening by the Sepoys who are charged with this letter.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) A: Brown Commander

Trichinopoly
21st October 1799

To Mr S: R: Lushington
Collector at
Ramnad

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 8th Instant, I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to inform you, that his lordship has no objection to Messrs Gratian and Albrecht remaining at Manaparai, as long as they shall continue to conduct themselves with propriety.

His

His Lordship desires, that the advance of fifteen pagodas each to Mrs. Vanspalls and Ide: to defray their travelling charges to the Presidency may be considered as a gratuity —

I am
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,
(Signed) J: Webbe
Secretary to Govt.

Fort St. George
31st. October 1799

Captn. G Strachey,

To Henry Sulivan Græme Esqr.
Assistant Collector
Ramnad

Sir,

I have been honored with your Letter of the 6th Inst. I have the pleasure to forward you a set of Bills for 8000 Star Pagodas. upon the Military Paymaster General in favor of the Board of Revenue.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obdt. Humble Servant
(Signed) Robt. Hughes
Paymaster

Madura
8th. November 1799

S. R: Lushington Esqr.
Collector Polygar Peshcush
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the Honor to transmit you a Copy of a letter, which I yesterday received from Mr Græme, your Head Assistant, together with my Answer to him, and to request that you will be pleased to intimate to me your Decision respecting the public Building in Question

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient humble Servant,
(Signed) Wm. Davison
Captn. Comdt.
at
Tuticoryn

Tuticoryn
Novr. 2nd 1799

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To

Captain Davison
Commanding
Tuticoryn

Sir

I have the honor to enclose Extract from a memorial addressed to the Collector of Ramnad &c by Mr. Gratian and Albracht and to request that you will put into Mr. Gratians possession again the House in which he was accustomed to reside at Manapar

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Humble Servant
(Signed)
H: Græme
Asst. Collr.

Pandalamcourchy 1st. Novr. 1799

true Copy
W Davison.

To

H: Græme Esqr.
Asst. Collector
at
Ramnad

Sir

I am just favored with yours most kindly letter of the 22nd. October last, and been highly obliged to you for the goodness with which you have promise me to reply in a few days upon my request about the House, which I was ordered by Captn. Davison to leave; flattering myself with a hope in obtaining permission to return, if the House not wanted for public use; which cannot be supposed, as having Captn. Davison offered the same to Mr. Baxter, who however till at present not have make use of.—

I beg you to accept my sincere thank for the trouble in Sending of the letter, adressed to me; being the same of my Brother at Negapatam, from which I since long time not have had any tidings.—

As not having the honor to be know by you personally, I take the liberty in this occasion to recommend myself in your further kindness and protection, begging in the mean time to accept also my best thanks for the trouble you have already taken about my Cause.—

And

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And believe me to remain

Sir,

Manapar
3rd Novr. 1799

Yours most Obedient &
humble Servant
(Signed) Gd. A. Grattan

H Groome Esqr.
Assnt. Collector
Ramnad

I have Received your Letter &enclosures of the ultimo in Sefty Transmit Copy of my letters to the [illegible] to Ramnad whence you will Receive Having Objection to to your assigning Over the Charge I have to Request you will Collect from the Cutcherry all the Records Relating to manapara that I have be fully informed of every thing them But in Particular of all Relative to Nuttum —

I have the honor be
Sir your very Obedient
Servant
(Signed) T. B. Hurdis
Collector

Dindigul
Novr. 2nd
1799

J. B. Travers Esqr.

J. B. Travers

Secretary to the

Board of Revenue.

Sir

In Reply to your Letter Dated 19th October. Bearing Postmark 21st and Received the 26th instant Covering extract from Mr. Lushington of 27 September and Orders of Government of the 12 October Regarding The transfer of the Manapara Poligars I have to beg you will inform the Board that I can have no Objection whatever to accede to any measure such may appear to Benefit the Service and that my Exertions shall not be wanting to justify such appearance But as the management of the —

of the Manapara Poligars and of Nuttum Ramghery and Pillamadung
in Particular depends on the quantum of force present to establish
authority and as the disturbances of the Mellare Colleries
have ever been most severely felt in Nuttum and are only
now hushed by union between them and the present self
created Poligar and as the Nabobs Servants repeated
trials have shewn are inadequate to the work of restrain
-ing their depredations I have to express my hope
that additional adequate means enforcing obedience may
be afforded me—

And I am the more anxious
on this account as both Ramghery an Pillamo-
-lungar are entirely governed by Verapatchy whose
conduct I have already brought before the Board.

And

and who since the 24th Instant has been daily increasing his

Rabble to oppose the Sirkar — this conduct the want of troops encoura-

-ges — independent of his disposition to disobedience which

unless soon checked may communicate a bad example to others and it will

not be the case when the Poligars disposition is considered & that

the 1st Battalion 14 Regiment very weak is only force to protect

the country under me an area of between six & 7 thousand square

miles —

Altho' I am not ambitious to increase my numbers of these

Tributaries yet I conceive the Service may be benefited by placing

Wootapah Naique & Dottapah Naique under my authority first by

enabling me to advance my Guards into the Passes leading to the

Annore Nauts and causing them as the Cavulcarrers of the Nauts

to do their Duty in preventing predatory excursions of the Colleries

and Secondly by enabling me to reduce the present heavy expence

for Attendy —

As Mr Collector Lushington is at Madras he might

be consulted on this measure which should it be approved I have

to hope will be quickly communicated to me. —

I am Sir
your Obedient Servant

Dindigul
27th Octr d-
1799.

true Copy
(Signed) W. Hurdis

(Sd) H Graeme

To H: S: Graeme

Acting Collector

Sir

I enclose you translation of an Oley from my Alva Tinnevelly Goonastah, and hope you will be able to make some Arrangement by which the Weavers may be reim-bursed -

I am

Sir

Your Obdt. Servant

Tinnevelly
4th. Novr. 1799

(Signed) J: Kenworthey

Commd. Rest.

Translation of an Oley from the alva Tinnevelly Go-mastah. —

In the Marriage of Kataba Naigs Vackeel Soobramooney Pillays Son, the Poligars man Kenaranary Soo-bramoney Pillay took from the alva Tinnevelly, Savaramungalum makulvarnaporam, Weavers Cloths to the amount of thirty Chuckrums nine fanams. This the Weavers complained of when Mr. Casamajor was at Alva Tinnevelly and he ordered me to go to Kattaba Naig and explain to him this grievance, as well as the trouble the Parioor Flowkurra was making with the Weavers I went accordingly & in consequence of my Complaint the Poligar sent his man Mootoo Coomarum Monigar to Settle the Poorioor Business & to take back the money for which the Cloths were sold. He came and ordered Soobramooney Pillay to give back the thirty Chuckrums nine fanams He said he would give it me back in twenty days & gave me a note to that effect at the Experation of the term, when I asked the money. He put it off continually till I was forced to go to Palamcottah on Cloth Business when I borrowed Soobramooneys Horse before I returned with

the

14 the Horse, He had run away I have delivered the Horse agreeable to order to the Tassildar the weavers have paid off their Balance except the thirty Chuckrums nine fanams & they beg that the Horse may be sold I have told them to wait for instructions from you—

To H: S Graeme Esqre

Acting Collector

Sir

As the Evil is but temporary (which I did not before know) it is not worth my while to trouble Government about such a trifle as Mr Gratians stay at Manapar, till after the Monsoon, I thank you tho', for your recommendation,

I am

Your Obdt. Servant

Tinnevelly
3d. Novr. 99

(Signed) J Kenworthey
Commr. Resdt.

Revenue Department

To Mr. S. Lushington

Collector of Ramnad and

Poligars Peshcush

Sir,

The Board having written to Mr. Hurdis regarding the Manapara Pollams being placed under his charge, he has in reply proposed that Whotepah Naigue, and Dotapah Naigue also may be put under his authority; on this measure the Board desire to be furnished with your opinion—

I am

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

Fort St. George
12th. November 1799

(Signed) J: B: Travers

Compd.
R B Dapsell

Sr.

H: Graeme Esqre

Acting Collector

Sir

I inclose you translations of an Arzy from my Attoor Goomastah, an order of your Attoor havildar, and a Complaint of a Broker.—

On

On the Subject of the first the Weavers have prov[ed] that they have paid the money which is now demanded, and should that be satisfactory, or not, I hope you will see the propriety of ordering your Servants, in all Cases where people connected with my Situation wish to refer to me for instructions, to delay for a reasonable time the execution of the Business in question. I have directed the Weavers to defer any payment untill further orders which applies to the first as well as the second complaint —

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I am

Sir

Your Most Obdt. Servant

(Signed) J Kenworthey

Tinnivelly
9th. November 1799

Translation of an Oley from the Compy. Rest. Attoor Gomastah

5th. November 99 —

I before informed you of the robberies & extortions of Kataba Naig — now the Companys Man Ramasawmy Pilley has demanded Tesha Cowl Money from July last till December — The Weavers say, We have already paid it to the Cattoba Naigs People & taken their receipt — Besides this they also took from us forty or fifty Chuckrums unjustly which we are going to complain of to our Master — Ramasawmy said to this that he had orders from one Latta to Collect the fees from July till December were tho' they should have been taken before — The Weavers told me & I told Ramasawmy that I would write to your Honor for Instructions, but he does not chuse to wait & sends his Peons, to whom He expects the weavers are to pay Batta till they pay the money —

Translation of the order to the Vadakkoor Weavers

To the Vadakkoor Weavers — You are to pay whatever is due of your desha Cowl money & you are to pay the Peon who comes for the money, half a fanam Pr Day —

Translation of a Oley from Hussain, Naiana Pillay & Attoor Broker —

On the 12th. of last September the Doors from five of our Churches were stole in the night, & tho we complain=ed to the Cowlkurra, He has not got them back for us —

To H: Græme Esqr.

Acting Collector

Ramnad

Sir

I am directed by his Excellency to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th. Ulto. & to request that you will do him the favour to inform him of the probable Saving Tappal by the Tanjore Road —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient St.

Columbo
the 8th. Novr. 1795

(Signed) Hugh Cleghorn

Compd
[illegible]

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To Mr. S. R. Lushington
Collector at
Ramnad

Sir,

I again beg leave to draw your attention to my request under date 1st. August referring you to the 10th. Article of Regulations, and requesting that the accounts thereby required might be forwarded as soon as possible.

Not having been favored however with any Teerva account shewing the produce & division of Aumanee Revenue I shall be obliged by your ordering that the same may be immediately prepared & transmitted to my office.

I am
Sir Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Geo: Read
D: A: B: R

Fort St. George
6th. November 1797
Chas. Woodcock
Exd.

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To Henry Sulivan Graeme Esqre.

Assistant Collector

Ramnad

Sir

Herewith I have the pleasure to forward you a Set of Bills for 10,000 Star Pagodas upon the Military Paymaster General in favour of the Board of Revenue –

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

(Signed) Robt. Hughes

Paymaster

Revenue Department

Madura
16th. November 1799

To Mr. Henry Graeme

Acting Collector of Poligar Peshcushans

Ramnad

Sir

The Board direct me to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 29th. & 30th. ultmo. and to desire you will write to Mrs. Grant and Balmain for the Invoices of grain consigned by them and which you mention they have omitted to transmit. With respect to the appropriation of the money arising from the Sales of the Grain, the Board desire you will comply with the indents of the Paymaster at Madura – and you will hereafter receive orders for the disposal of the remainder – Crediting the amount so applied in your Account Current under the head of "Grain sent for the relief of the Inhabitants of Ramnad" –

I am

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant

(Signed) J. B. Travers

Fort St. George
11th. November 1799

Compd.

To H. S. Graeme Esqr.

Acting Collector

Sir

I enclose for your information translation of an Oley from my Etiapoor Gomastah to which I beg your speedy attention

I am Sir

Your Obedient Servt.

(Signed) J. Kenworthey

Tinnivelly
20th. Novr. 99

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Extract Translation of an Oley from the Eliapoor Yeo-mastah.—

Agreeable to your orders. I send a Peon with your Oley to the Cadaly Weavers, Valun, Anunja Permall, Sarta Pillay to order them to Palamcottah; these three People went immediately to Eliarampunny & told the Amildar Shamrow Ryer. C said People are come to catch us & take us to Palamcottah we are your Inhabitants I do not belong to the Cloth People & took from him an Oley to the Cadaly Monigar, Veerapah Moodely to this purpose — Whoever calls these People Valun, Anunja Permall & Sarta Pillay you are to prevail them and send them forcibly away — this Business being reported to me, I and a Bodged Peon went to Cadaly, and called for them three People, and Said I have an order from my Master for you, & shewed the Sunnud they refused to receive it & threw it down, saying that the Amildar to Manage were their Masters, they acknowledged none at Palamcottah from thence they would not receive any orders, & abused me & desired me to come to the Monigar I have two men of Caracter in that Country to witness all this — the Weavers having sent notice to the Monigar of what was passing, sent a Peon to order the three People be released — I said I must send them to Palamcottah agreeable to the orders I have received & would not release them — After this the three people run away to the Monigar — I sent to the Monigar to say what was my order & represented to him that as he was also a Company's Servant he should not behave in this manner He answered that he had done all I complained of that whether I would to realize balances or collect cloth, I must not come to that Country & Sending all the Cadaly Weavers, told them in future not to work for the Company & put tom tom to that Effect I took also a Penalty Bond to that Effect, for this I have witness Armoga Moodely — Veerapa Moodely has flogged & taken the Doors from the Houses, of a Son of Arnajirum & Brother Wooderamaula permail Companys Brokers to make them come and work at the tank — this is at the instigation of these three People —

H. Græme Esqr

H: Græme Esqr.
Assistant to the Collector of
Ramnad &c &c &c

Sir

I am desired by Mr. Hurdis, to beg your early attention, in transmitting the account Pushcush of the Manaparra Pollams, and Moyenzabita of the Cackaree established at Manapara —

The Shevagunga Poliger having already interfered in a very improper way in the succession of the Pullum of the Nattam Pollam, it is Mr. Hurdis's particular request that you send the most positive orders to him, not to interfere again either directly or indirectly, in any affairs or with any persons whatever, relating to that Pollam —

In answer to my letter of the 1st. August last — complaining of this same Poligar for allowing a party of Colleries of Mullarcoty in his pollam to plunder (in conjunction with others of Cariampatty in Mellore Nauts.) one hundred and thirty head of Cattle from the Village Vombarpatty in this district — you assured me the necessary order should be sent to the Poligar — for making restitution thereof —

Concluding you dispatched the order, he certainly has not attended to it for to this day not one of the cattle have been restored I beg therefore a second Tackeed may be written to the Poligar in such terms, as will preventing further delay, in restitution of the Cattle —

I am Sir
Your very obedient Servant
(Signed) John G. Ravenshaw
Asst. Colr.

Dindigul
20th. November 1799

To Mr. H Græme

To Mr. H. Græme
Acting Collector of
Assigned Peshcush

Sir,

The sum of S Pag[s]. 1067..18..48 as stated in the Collectors letter 21st June 99 to have been received on account of the Shevagunga 3rd Kist having appeared in the September Cash account you will be pleased to forward me early information in what month you have either debited yourself for the Peshcush or taken credit for the remittance having been unable to trace the amount in your accounts

I beg leave to apprize you that you have omitted to forward duplicate Bill for the sum of S Pag[s] 8395 entered in your Ramnad Cash Account for September under the head of remittance to the Revenue Treasury, any future neglect of this sort will oblige me to return your accounts and to report the same to the Board—

I am
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Geo: Read
D: A: B: R.
(Revenue Department)

Fort St. George
14th. November 1799

To Mr. Henry Græme
Head Assistant to the Collector at
Ramnad,

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 5th. Inst. I am directed by the Board to inform you they approve of your having left Mr. Kinlock to superintend the examination of the Tuticoryn Pearl Banks—

The Board also authorize the advance made for Tuticoryn Chank Fishery and the moyen zabitah established for the superintendance of it—

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I am

Sir

Fort St. George
15th November 1799.

Your obedient Servant

Compd.
Chas. Hyde
Asst.

(Signed) J: B: Travers
Sy.

To H Graeme Esqr.
Acting Collector

Sir,

I have this morning received information from the Tassildar, that he is unprovided with Cambo for the further supply of the Prisoners confined at this place - The Quantity I have already received is only calculated to subsist them to the 7th. December inclusive - As my Health requires my proceeding to Palamcottah, I request you will favor me with an answer by the Bearer acquainting me with what plan you propose adopting for their future support - the most effectual measure in my opinion will be, to obtain Major Turings sanction (as I presume he would have no objection) for their immediate removal to Ramnad -

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Naglapore
26th. Novr. 1799

Your most Obedt. Servant

(Signed) Wm. Tichborne Lieut.
Commg. at Naglapore

To H: Graeme Esqr.
Acting Collector of Ramnad

Sir,

I think it incumbent upon me to inform you of the ill state of Health of some of the Poligar Prisoners confined in this Garrison, in consequence of which I requested of Mr. Hay to see them, who has offered every assistance in his power, but from the aversion they have to receive any Medicine from the Gentlemen or even the native Doctor, we are afraid their Disorders may increase -

I remain

Pallamcottah
28th. Novr. 99

Your very Obedt. Servant

(Signed) Wm. Elliot Lieut.

To Henry Sullivan Graeme Esqr.

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To Henry Sulivan Græme Esqr.
Acting Collector of the Southern Poligar Peshcush

Sir,

I have to request a Supply of Twelve (12) Thousand Star Pagodas for my Disbursements of the ensuing Month. Seven Thousand of which I could wish you to dispatch to Hystar as expeditiously as you can, and to keep the remaining Five Thousand by you until I can let you know whether I am to clear the amount of the abstract of the 19th. Regiment and Bengal Artillery for December, as when it is probable they may have left my range of Payment — but should it be otherwise I will take the liberty of drawing upon you for the amount I shall have to pay to the Kings Paymaster and the Commanding officer of the Bengal Artillery, which Bills you can return to me that I may forward to you my usual Bills for such advances —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) Robt. Hughes
Paymaster

Madura
25th. Novr. 1799

To H Græme Esqr.
Acting Collector
Ramnad

Sir

I have the honor to enclose you a Bill for twenty days pay to one Dooly & five Bearers employed with a Detachment of the Ramnad Revenue Battalion from the 5th. to the 20th. Novr. 1799 inclusive

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) H. Bowen Lieut.
Commt. Addlenore

Addlenore
25th. Novr. 1799

S. R. Lushington Esqr.

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S. R. Lushington Esqr.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 17th Inst. and have in consequence advised Mr. Gratian that he may take Possession again of the House, he had quitted, at Manapar, and have also directed the Havildar of the Guard to deliver the Key to him.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obdt. Hble. Servant

(Signed) W. Davison

Captn. Commt.

at

Tuticoryn

Tuticoryn
24th. Novr. 1799

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To Mr. Henry Grome

Sir,

acting Collector at Ramnad

I am directed by the Board to acquaint you in reply to Mr. Lushington's letter of the 14th October, that they authorize an advance being made to the Inhabitants of Ramnad of Seed Grain to enable them to carry on the Cultivation

I am &c. &c.

(signed) J. B. Travers
Secretary

Fort St. George
2nd November 1799

To Mr. Henry Grome

Sir,

Assistant Collector of the Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad

I am directed by the Board to acquaint you that Mr. George Garrow has been appointed Deputy Secretary by Government to this Board

I am &c. &c.

(signed) J. B. Travers
Secretary

Fort St. George
2nd November 1799

To Mr. S. R. Lushington

Sir,

Collector of Assigned Peshcush

A Statement having been required by Government of all expences incurred in the late Mysore War, I have to request you will without delay inform me of all Sums disbursed by you on this account for which Bills have not been granted on the General Department

The early transmission of this account is absolutely necessary to enable to afford Government the information required, as sums may be included in the total of your account particulars, which from that cause I may be unable to discriminate

I am &c. &c.

(signed) George Read
A. B. R.

Fort St. George
30th November 1799

To Mr. Henry Sulvin Grame

Sir,

Assistant Collector at Ramnad

By Desire of the Board you will herewith receive Copy

of your Register of Bills for the Month of October properly authenticated, which is to serve as an acknowledgement of the Bills transmitted in the course of that month with such remarks annexed as appear necessary for your information respecting them —

Fort St. George
29th November 1799

I am &c. &c.
signed George Garrow
deputy Secretary

comp.d
J B V Dogrell

To Henry Sulivan Graeme Esq.
Acting Collector.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I this morning received an application from two Travellers Mr. Peter Breaker & Mr. Jervin Johnson for a Passport to Ramnad & I think it necessary to receive your previous Sanction before I take the responsibility of granting their request therefore I request to be favored with your reply so soon as convenient & at the same time that you will furnish me with some of the printed Blank Passports from Government —

Tuticoryn
4th December 1799 —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(signed) J. Kinlock
2nd Assistant

To H. Graeme Esq.
Acting Collector

Sir,

I have received your letter of yesterday — It is unnecessary for you to provide Rice for the Troops that was detached from hence a few days past to Yelloyrampunny Collarputty & Cadalgoody to relieve parties of Colonel Martinz's Corps — should a measure of that nature become requisite, it will be furnished from the Commissarys Department. I have no knowledge of any further Supply of Troops being sent from hence to those Stations

Naglepoor
4th December 1799 —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(signed) Thoms Tichborne Lieut.
Commanding Naglepoor

To Henry Sulivan Graeme Esq.
Acting Collector of the Southern Poligar Peshcush & Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you that I shall have no occasion for

for the additional five thousand Pagodas which I took the liberty of requesting you would reserve for me to provide eventually for H. M. 19th Foot and the Bengal Artillery —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(signed) Robert Hughes

Paymaster

Madura

December 1799

To Stephen Rumbold Lushington Esqr.

Collector of Ramnad

Sir,

Being desired by His Excellency The Governor of Ceylon to purchase and bring over from the Coast Three thousand head of Cattle with as much expedition as possible I request your assistance in forwarding this Branch of the Public Service by ordering to be bought within your District such proportion of the above as you may be able to procure, letting me know the probable number and price, for the amount of which I will immediately send you drafts on His Excellency Mr. North or should you prefer it I will myself apply to him for Public Bills for the same which shall be transmitted to you without delay —

I have further to request you will be pleased from time to time to cause such of the Cattle as you may have procured to be sent to Manar to Lieut. The Honble George Turnour Commanding in Boats hired for that purpose, and as it is difficult exactly to calculate the expence thereby to be incurred, a final Adjustment of Accounts can take place when the Supply &c. shall have been completed —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(signed) R. G. Barbett

Lieut. Colonel Commanding

Jaffnapatnam

November 1799

To A. Graeme Esqr.

Assistant Collector

Sir,

I have received your letter of Yesterday the Sending of the whole of the Campalimeourchy and Naglepoor Prisoners to you at Collarputty would be attended with much inconvenience to the Public Service, & I conceive it probable Major Turing might think it requisite that they should be escorted by an European Officer, & it is not in my power to leave this Station without his permission, I have therefore forwarded to him Copy of your letter and of my answer to it, & requested his instructions on the Subject as you are probably

probably unaware of the great trouble a compliance with your request would give rise to. I beg leave to suggest to your consideration the expedience of your repairing to this place, from whence you are at so inconsiderable a distance, for the purpose of making such examinations as you may judge necessary

Naglepore
2d December 1799

I have the Honor to be &c. &c.
(signed) Thoms Tichborne
Lieut. Commanding Naglepore

To H. S. Graeme Esqr.
Acting Collector

Sir,

As there is a prospect of the Companys Investment in these Countries being renewed to some extent in the ensuing year, I feel it incumbent upon me to take every possible precaution against such interferences or obstructions as may tend to its debasement or impediment —

There has long been a Suspicion of the Etiapoor Poligar underhandedly counteracting the exertions of the Resident on the part of the Company, but the situation of affairs at the begining of the present year did not appear favorable for bringing forward a complaint, the object of which was to enforce a point apparently against the interest of the Poligar to abide by, as they have so lately felt the force of the Companys Authority I trust that my representation will now be attended with the desired Effect —

The Etiapoor Looms are some of the most Valuable of any under my Authority, from their number and the quality of the Cloths which are wove there, being mostly Coarse Cloths — these however which from the most desirable part of the Companys Assortments have been continually on the decline, while private Merchants supplied themselves at the time with excellent Cloth — Having particulary enquired out the Cause of this, I am led to believe that it originates in the Poligar Himself, who has his necessaries among the Companys looms, advising the Weavers to send five or six, instead of seven & eight call, that by that means the Company will get tired of them and discharge them & they may then work for private Merchants who will not be so strict in Sorting. By this the Poligar will receive Customs amounting to ten fanams on every hundred Pieces besides occasional Presents and the right of plundering & oppressing both parties — From this kind of Conduct you may Judge what kind of Cloth I am likely to procure

from

from that Country the Looms are too Valuable to give up and I hope you will give the Poligar the most positive Instructions to discontinue this very in=jurious kind of Conduct, as hurtful to the Interests, as disrespectful to the Authority of the Company. —

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Tinnevelly
3d December 1799 —

I am &c. &c.
(signed) J. Kenworthey
Commercial Resident

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To H. Grame Esqr.
Acting Collector of Ramnad

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 12th of November 99 accompanying six hundred and eighty Cally fanams (680 C.ft) remitted by the Tasildar of Panjalumcourchy, being the amounts of the Bills for Subsistence to Seventeen (17) Poligar Prisoners confined in this Garrison &c. In your letter of the 12th you also made mention of having directed the Tasildar to Despatch forty one Pagodas eleven fanams & five cash (41. 11. 5. Sp. F. C.) Batta to the Punjamahal Detachment which he has Omitted so to do. Enclosed I have the honor to forward a bill for Subsistence to the Prisoners for December 99 —

Pallamcottah
December 99 —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
signed William Elliott
Lieutenant Commanding

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To H. Grame Esqr.
Assistant Collector

Sir,

I am just favored with your letter of yesterday, together with its several inclosures Being in hourly expectation of receiving Major Turing's instructions in regard to your former application for the whole of the Panjalumcourchy and Naglipoor Prisoners under my charge to be sent to you at Colarputty, & which I expect will assist to guide my conduct in regard to your present request, I defer replying to your Letter until they arrive farther than to observe, it will be necessary in the event of the female Prisoner being removed, that a conveyance of some description be provided for her both on her own account as well as that of a young Child at present with her —

Naglipoor
9 December 1799 —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(signed) Thomas Tichborne
Lieutenant Commanding Naglipoor

To

To H. Graeme Esqr.

Assistant Collector

Sir,

Major Turings instructions in regard to sending the whole of the Naglepoor & Parjalumcourchy Prisoners to you at Collarputty which I have just received, leaving me at liberty to comply with your request so far as to forward them to you by Divisions, I have therefore to inform you I am ready to put the measure into execution or to dispose of them agreeably to the plan pointed out in your letter of the 2 Instant. There is a considerable difference in the manner of spelling the names of the prisoners, between the lists you have transmitted me & my own, which would have been obviated, if they had been made out from a corresponding Roll of them that I delivered to Mr. Lushington. — I have however been able to identify them with a few exceptions to two of those in your list No. 3 — Jigger, & Boman, I can find no name that at all corresponds — & there are three, Sangou, Moottoo Sammy & Cirmale that do not appear to be mentioned in either of your enclosures — there are also 3 that were originally committed to my custody, & noted in your List No. 3 that are no longer at my Command — the 1st of them died this morning of the Small pox the 2nd was released by Mr. Lushington's desire the 22nd of September & the 3d effected his Escape on the night of the 21st of October — I have only one Vunnicapangum Pelly in my list, & he is described as the Servant of Cleamnand Pelly. I am happy to find my suggestion of your repairing to this place for the purpose of making such examinations as you might judge necessary, altho inexpedient to adopt, deserving of your thanks and whenever the Public Service can be eased of great inconvenience by my so doing a similar recommendation shall always be much at your Service. I decline offering any objection to your measures, as the responsibility attaches to you & from your Official situation, & extensive sources of information, you must be considered better qualified to form a correct judgment of the disposition of the several Polygars towards the Company's Government, & whether or not, any danger is likely to arise from the release of so considerable a number of such disaffected & desperate characters as those are at present confined in the Fort of Naglepoor. Whatever Quantity of Rice may remain on hand after the Prisoners are removed from under my care shall be returned to the Tahsildar as you have desired —

I have the honor to be &c &c

(signed) Thomas Tichborne

Lieutenant Commanding

Naglepoor

10th December 1799 —

P.S. I beg your attention to my request to order a Conveyance for the accom- Nag'poor

accommodation of the female Prisoner & Child —

To S. Lushington Esquire

Collector &c. &c. &c.

Sir

As the promotion of Mr. Reddy the rank of Surgeon, which, I understand, will immediately take place May I request the favour of your Assistance to procure me the appointment, under you, held by him —

Palamcottah
December 1799

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) John Hay

Assistant Surgeon

To H. Greme Esqr.

Acting Collector

Sir

I was favoured with your letter of the yesterday early this morning – the Prisoners named in your list 21 together with Veedia Bramin, I have despatched to you at Colarpetty under charge of 1 Havildar 1 Naigue & 12 Sepoys belonging to this Garrison those mentioned in your 2nd List I have delivered to Mohadeen Cawns Peshcar – & the remainder amounting to 54 Persons have been Committed to the Custody of the Native Officer sent by you for the purpose of receiving them – five of them being too much indisposed to walk, I made application to the Peshcar for Cots & Coolies to carry them. the Permall noted in your list, under the Head of Shevagherry corresponds with my Roll, but I have another described as a Pungalumcourchy Peon, which I do not find noticed in either of your inclosures – he however accompanies the rest — To each of the Men forwarded to you, I have delivered two Measures of Rice, & to the Woman six Measures, of two Rupees to provide such other necessaries on the road as she may have occasion for. the Surplus Rice I am ready to deliver to the Tahsildar whenever he may come for, or sends to receive it – Being desirous of bringing every concern I have relating to the Prisoners to as speedy a conclusion as possible I enclose my Bill for their Subsistence for the elapsed part of the present Month, I could wish for an immediate order for its being discharged as I stand much in need of Medical Advice & Assistance, & propose proceeding to Pallamcottah to obtain it as soon as the Account is closed — I forbear making any observations upon your reasons for releasing the Prisoners, as the responsibility of the Act (as I before observed) rests with you; not but I am of opinion they might easily be rendered invalid if it was my province to perform it. I think it proper however to set you right in regard to that part of my last letter in which I spoke

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of your possessing extensive Sources of information) and I conceived at the time I had expressed myself with tolerable perspicuity — but it seems that I was too sanguine in that expectation) — the knowledge to be obtained by being Master of those advantages, & which I meant to describe, but in which I was so unsuccessful) was that of the present disposition of the several Chief Poligars, throughout the Tinnevelly Pollams, to the Companys Government — on whose account a considerable force is still kept on foot at a great additional expence, in the Southern Countries, and who might, if there intentions were hostile, be instantly joined (after their being set at liberty) by those disaffected and desperate characters) I continue to use these terms for I well know them to be appropriate) just removed from under my Charge —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

Naglepoor
12th December 1799 —

(Signed) Thoms Tichborne
Lieutenant Commanding
Naglepoor

P. S. I beg your acknowledgment of the Receipt of the 10 Prisoners intrusted to the Havildars Guard from hence, & request the escort may be detained as short a time as convenience will admit of —

(Signed) Thoms Tichborne

To Mr. Stephen R. Lushington

Collector of Poligar Peshcush and Ramnad

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to transmit you copy of a letter from Government containing their orders on the measures to be pursued for the future Government of the Poligars, the Boards further instructions will be transmitted to you with as little delay as possible.—

I am &c. &c.

(signed) J. B. Travers
Secretary

Fort St. George
4 November 1799.

To H. Greme Esqr.

Acting Collector

Sir,

I am just favored with your Letter of this day, & have received the amount of my Bills forwarded to you Yesterday.—

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(signed) Thos. Tichborne Lieut.
Commanding Naglepoor

Naglepoor
13th December 1799.

To Henry Greme Esqr.

Acting Collector

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of this Date, acquainting me, that the Treasure and two Other Boxes in the Ramalingum Vilasum were found Open, and not in the State in which your Cash Keeper left them last Night, on entering the Cutcherry.—

I am truly concerned that such an accident should have happened, who were upon Duty in the Place, I will Order them to be relieved and confined, and report the Same to Government.—

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(signed) M. Martinz

Ramnad
17. December 1799.

To Henry Sulivan Greme Esqr.

Acting Collector of Ramnad & Poligar Peshcush

Sir, I have the honor to forward for your information a letter

Received

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Received from Mr Harry Memlie Breunmain one of the Dutch Civil Servants of Tuticoryn requesting the grant of a Passport to Columbo —

I am &c. &c.

(signed) P. Kinlock

2nd Assistant

Tuticoryn

18th December 1799 —

To Mr P. Kinlock

Assistant to the Collector at Ramnd

Sir

Undermentioned Petitioner Sheweth humbly that he was ordered by the honble Lushington, Collector at Ramnad to return at this place, and which was done by him accordingly in the month of July of this year, but now having received a letter from his family, residing at Columbo that his daughter being Sick and wants his attendance; — therefore does your Petitioner humbly request you to intercede for him by Said Collector, to get a Passport for two Months to proceed to Colombo and giving Support to his family —

Your Petitioner expects desirously your intercession, and remains with the utmost Respect —

Sir

&c. &c.

(signed) Henry Memlie Breunmain

Tuticoryn

the 14 of December 1799 —

To Mr H. Greme

Assistant Collector at

Ramnad

Sir

I beg leave to call your attention to the first paragraph of my letter, under date 24th October, to which you have Omitted returning any answer —

You will be pleased in future to date your letter accompanying the Monthly accounts the day of their transmission, in place of that on which the accounts close as you appear to have done, in the letter accompanying those for October —

I am &c. &c.

(signed) George Read

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Fort St. George

10th December 1799

+ To H. Greme Esqr.

Acting Collector

Sir

Major Irving having called upon me for your Receipt for the Prisoners, delivered at your requisition, agreeable to the list I Received

from

from Captain Knowles Brigade Major when [illegible] charge of them I enclose one made out conformably thereto, & request of you to annex a Receipt to it, & return it to me per Bearer—

I have the honor to be &c. &c.

(Signed) Thomas Tichborne

Lieut. Commanding Naglepoor

Naglepoor
6th December 1799.

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(Revenue Department)

To Mr. Stephen Rumbold Lushington

Collector

at

Ramnad

Sir

I am directed by the Board to inform you that Government have been pleased to consent to the transfer of Dholapah Naique and Whotapah Naique to the authority of Mr. Hurdis, and to desire you will make over charge of their districts to that Gentleman—

I am,

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

(Signed) Geo: Garrow

depy. Secy.

Fort St. George
14th. December 1799

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Revenue Department

To Mr. Stephen R. Lushington,

Collector of the Poligar Peshcush &c.

Ramnad

Sir

1 You have already been furnished with Copy of a letter from Government dated 9th. Instant communicating the principles on which they intend to introduce the reform in the Southern Provinces the orders of the Honble Court of Directors for disarming the Poligars having been carried into execution, and their minds from the late examples made of the refractory impressed with the necessity of obedience to the orders of Government—

2 You will observe that Government think it advisable preparatory measures should be taken for the Commutation of Military Service for the Establishment of a permanent assess-

-ment in lieu of that Service and for the introduction of Courts of Civil and Criminal Justice, it being the intention of Govern-ment to charge themselves with the protection of the Country as also with the administration of the Police –

3 That the principles Established by Government with this view may be fully known to the Poligars and Inhabi-tants of every description, we enclose a proclamation which you will publish prior to, but not until you are prepared to put in executio[n] the orders for resuming and collecting the Deshcavel fees due from the Cir-car Lands to the Poligars and all other Established Collections arising therefrom heretofore made by the Poligars –

4 You will particularly and personally explain to them the whole force of these orders that being relieved from all Military duties and watching Service and protected in their Pollams by Government, it is the intention of the Circar to fix a reasonable permanent Assessment on their Lands that they may enjoy the Sur-plus in Peace and safety like other Zemindars, and as a proof that in reducing them to obedient subjects, it is not the wish or intentio[n] of the Company to deprive the Poligars of their Lands you will lay before us with as little delay as possible an arrangement for the Instatement of the Shatoor Poligar on the principles prescribed by Government –

5 To enable us to prepare the particular instructions for the Collection of the Revenue arising from these resumptions for the approval of Government – you will with as little delay as possi-ble report the State and extent of them – the mode which appears to you best calculated to secure the Collection, whether by an Agree-ment with the head Inhabitants of the villages for an ascertained Sum on account of the fees, and by renting to them the Poligar Maniam or other Lands in their respective villages or by Aumani and in either case you will submit the Establishment of Servants which you deem necessary with the regulations you have to propose for their conduct employing in the mean time such as are requi-red for the immediate Collections –

6th. To effect with as little delay as possible the complete reestablishment of the Talium cavel is of the first importance

to the future well ordering of the watching Service and considering how long the greatest part of the Tallum cawel curnahs in the Tinnivelly Province have been under subjection to the Poligars, the general information conveyed in the Proclamation may not be sufficient to inspire them with sufficient confidence, or convey to them an adequate Idea of their ancient fees and privileges you will therefore take such measures in concert with his Highness the Nabobs managers by the issue of a Cowle explanatory of their new situation and specifying their fees and privileges, or otherwise as you may see best calculated to accomplish this object— 94

7 To enable us to Establish the permanent assessment on the Pollams exclusive of the Cavel fees and resumptions you will use every exertion to obtain the most correct information of the remaining resources of the Poligars including the circar share of the Revenue of the Service Lands heretofore alloted to the maintenance of Shevagars and peons as well as of the alienations to the Poligars relations and others forwarding the documents on which your opinions are grounded, and shewing distinctly the whole collections under the head of Sager it being the intention of Government to resume that branch of Revenue as its indefeasible right. But as this investigation cannot be completed so as to form a Settlement on this principle for the Current Year, you will lay before us the Settlement you have to propose for it Adverting to the material alteration which the resumptions may make in the incomes of some of the Poligars—

8 You will as directed by Government proclaim in the usual form in the Sequestred Pollams that they are declared Havelly, and that the Poligars and their families are for ever ejected therefrom. you will as soon as they are completed report the result of your investigations into their present state and furnish Statements of the Collections heretofore made from the Inhabitants by the late Poligars shewing the amount of Gross produce, collections and charges, and distinctly the Circar Share of the produce of all Service &c Lands as already directed with regard to the unsequestred Pollams, as well as of Desha and Talem Cawel fees collected for a period of seven years.

You

9 You will furnish [illegible] of all
the property secured in the respective Pollams of the Expelled
Poligars or else where belonging to them or to those proscribed—
10 We require full opinion after a deliberate con-
sideration of the subject as to the military force you conceive ne-
cessary for the preservation of Peace and the protection of the Dis-
tricts and Pollams now that the Poligars force is reduced, after
the present detachment shall be withdrawn, on which point you
will consult Major Turing, and the Board have the fullest reli-
ance on your affording the same Cordial Cooperation to this officer
in the execution of his duties as his predecessor experienced from you—
11 You will attend to the directions of Government
for making the western Pollams or their immediate vicinity the
general seat of your residence, as far as circumstances will admit
confiding in a great degree the detail of the management of the
sequestered Pollams to your head assistant—
12 You will likewise particularly ~~[illegible]~~ observe
that part of the instructions of Government which directs that
until the Establishment of Courts of Justice you are to supply
by your personal interference the means of Administering the
Civil Government, & to furnish us with the most minute local
information by which the future laws for the Government
of the Province may be tempered and we rely on your vigi-
lance and activity that no precaution will be omitted to
preserve the Confidence of the Inhabitants in the Company's
Government, which appears by your reports to have been
in a great degree Established in the sequestered Pollams
before your departure and to familiarize them to the im-
mediate authority of its officers—
13 The Jewels delivered over to you by Major
Bannerman and the other property found in the Fort of
Panchalumcourchy you will bring to account with the
exception of the Jewels belonging to the late Sunkerlin-
gum, which Government direct may be presented to the
Shevagherry Poligar to mark their approbation of his con-
duct

-duct in complying with the orders of Major Bannerman 192

14 His Lordship in Council having been pleased to direct that the village of Veerangacollum stated to have been forced from the Family of the Ettiapoor Poligar and named Sheraganporam by the Poligar of Pandalumcourchy may be restored to him you will therefore annex it to his pollum, explaining that it is a boon conferred on him in consequence of his zeal and ready obedience to the orders of Government — 95

15 You will report what appears to you a suitable provision for the maintenance of the Poligars & others sent prisoners by Major Bannerman to the Presidency stating at the same time the income they enjoyed and adverting to the circumstances of the misconduct of the parties —

16 The Petitions transmitted with the accompanying letter from Government you will investigate and report upon the claims therein brought forward against the deposed Poligars noticing their origin and progress and the situation of the claimants now or heretofore in the Tinivelly Country —

We are
Sir
Your Obedient Servants

Compd.
(S) Alex Wilson
Asst.

Fort St. George
6th December 1799

Signed

Wm. Petrie
Chs. N. White
Thos. Cockburn
N. E. Kindersley

Revenue Department

To William Petrie Esqr.
President &c. member of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen.

Para 1. In our letter of the 19th August last We informed you of the reasons which has induced us to equip a detachment for the purpose of punishing the refractory spirit of Catabomia Naig. and for disarming the whole of the Southern Poligars, according to the intentions & directions of the Honorable Court of Directors.—

2 This Service has been accomplished with the utmost degree of Zeal, Spirit, and integrity, by Major Bannerman. by the entire subjection of all the Poligars to the authority of the Company's Government, by the Capital punishment of Catabomia Naig. & two other principal offenders, by the sequestration of six pollams, by the demolition of all the Poligar forts, and by the Surrender of their Arms and implements of War.—

3 We are happy to find from Major Bannerman's Correspondence that, throughout the whole of his operations, he has experienced the most cordial cooperation on the part of the Collector in the prosecution of his measures, and that from his zeal and activity, he has derived important and useful assistance.—

4 This rapid and complete success has established the foundation for the introduction of that reform in the Government of the Poligars, which has so long been judged necessary to the due realization of the peshcush, & to the establishment of permanent tranquility in that province, adverting therefore to your reports of the 14th March & 20th Octr 1797 on the subject of the Poligars, as well as to the actual situation in which they are now placed, We think it advisable, that preparatory measures should be taken for the commutation of Military Service, for the establishment of a permanent assessment, in lieu of that Service, and for the introduction of Courts of Civil & Criminal Justice, under the authority of the Company's Government.—

5 With this view, We have resolved to establish the following principles—.

1st. That the Poligars shall be relieved from all the military & police duties, attached to the terms of their tenure; & that the Company shall charge themselves, as well with the

Military

military protection of the Country, as with the administration of the police.—

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2nd That the Poligars shall be divested of all interference, whatever in the Circar Lands.—

3rd That the Dashcawel fees, due from the Circar lands to the Poligars, and all other established Collections, arising therefrom, shall for the present, be collected by the immediate Officers of the Company's Government.—

4th That the principal Poligars shall no longer be allowed to hold the Office of Tallum Cavil Carrah.—

5th That the Tallum Cawel shall be restored to the intention of its institution, by limiting the enjoyment of the fee to the executors of the duty.—

6th That the Pollams, which have been sequestered shall be declared forfeited, & made havelly.—

6 On these principles it will be necessary to establish the Assessment of the pollams, on grounds similar to those of the Zemindary Assessments, exclusively of the Cawel fees. We desire therefore, that means may be taken for obtaining the most correct information of the remaining resources of the Poligars, in order that a Correspondent Assessment may be fixed on their respective Pollams.—

7 We desire that, until some general arrangement can be effected, with the Concurrence of His Highness the Nabob particular instructions may be framed (subject to our approbation) for the Collection of the Dashcawel fees, & of the other revenue, on account of the Company, from the neighbouring districts.—

8 The Administration of the Affairs, of the forfeited pollams, will require the utmost degree of vigilance, & activity, on the part of the Collector, and we trust that no precaution will be omitted to establish, & preserve the confidence of the Inhabitants, in the Company's Government; & to familiarize them to the immediate authority of its own officers.—

9 The Situation of the Poligars, who still retain their territorial possessions, demands the most constant attention

19 attention to their internal, and external relations, for, as it is indis-
pensably necessary, that the exercise of the powers of Government should
not relapse into their hands so it is incumbent on the justice, and
humanity of the Company to preserve to them the enjoyment of
their Civil rights & to defend them against the encroachment &
Violence of their former enemies We are therefore of Opinion that with
a view to the welfare of the western Pollams & to the successful
maintenance of the Company's Authority therein the presence of
the Collector in those districts has become at this time essentially ne-
cessary and we direct that Mr Lushington be instructed to
make those Pollams or their immediate vicinity the General seat
of his residence, as far as circumstances will permit confiding
a great degree, the details of the management of the Sequestered
Pollams to the care of his Head Assistant —

10 Until we shall receive the sanction of Governor
General in Council for the establishment of Courts of Justice we
deem it necessary that the detachment of Troops shall remain in
the provinces and that the powers granted to Major Bannerman
shall be continued to his Successor, Major Turing — In the mean
while it will be the duty of the Collector, to pay the most indefa-
tigable attention to the Condition of the Poligars, to Supply by
his personal interference the means of administering the Civil Go-
vernment and to furnish you with the most minute local in-
formation by which the future laws for the Government of
this province may be tempered. —

11 Having much reason to be satisfied with the
Zeal of the Ettiapoor Poligar, we desire that the Village of
Aurangacollam stated to have been forced from the family and
named Sheoaganaporam by the Poligar of Panjalumcourchy may
be restored to him, and added to his pollam —

12 Major Bannerman having delivered to the
Charges of the Collector, Sundry Jewels, and property found
in the fort of Panjalumcourchy Mr Lushington will of Course
render such an Account of it as you may direct —

13 Sundry Jewels belonging to the late Shunker

-lingum having been found we desire that they may be presented
to the Poligar of Shevagherry to mark our approbation of his
conduct in complying with the orders of Major Bannerman —

14 We enclose Copy of a Petition presented by certain
Merchants of the province of Tinnivelly, on the Subject of debts said
to be due to them by the dispossessed Poligars, and we desire that you will
report your sentiments with such information as you may obtain —
after a thorough investigation of the Claim —

15 We desire that suitable provision may be made for
the support of the Poligars and their servants who have been
sent prisoners by Major Bannerman to the Presidency, and who
are now under Custody of the Town Major —

16 We have ordered Copies of all the Correspondence
with Major Bannerman and Luring to be transmitted to you in
order that it may be entered on the proceedings of your Department

We are
Gentlemen
Your Most Obedient Servants

Fort St. George
9th November 1799 —

Signed
Clive
Geo Harris
Wm Petrie
E Wm Fallofield

Compd.
P/ F B Daysell

A true Copy
(Signd) Geo Garrow
Depy. Secy.

Extract of a Letter from the Collector of Ramnad to the
Board of Revenue
dated 25th December 1797

I am very sorry to inform you that notwithstanding
the favorable appearance of the weather when I had the honor to
address you on the 20th Ultimo the fall of rain in this District has
been very small and the Madura River has failed in furnishing the
quantity of water requisite for the cultivation — The Season however
is not so far advanced as to preclude all hopes of rain & hitherto

the renters have been rigidly punctual in the payment of their kists.

I have the honor to be
with respect
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) W. C. Jackson

A true Copy
J. Balfour
Asst. Collr.

Ramnad
25th. December 1797

To

S. R. Lushington Esqr.
Collector of the Poligars Peshcush
&c &c

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for your information, extract of a letter addressed by me to Mr. Secretary Webbe in reply to one I have received from him, giving cover to copy of Instructions from the Right Honble the President in Council to the Board of Revenue, of the instructions issued, in consequence, by that Board to you and of the Proclamation which you have been authorized to publish, all on the subject of introducing a reform into the Civil Government of the Poligar Countries, founded on the success of the Detachment, now under my command —

I shall be glad to be informed by you how soon you think it will be necessary for me to apprize the Poligars, agreeably to the Instructions of Government, of the powers with which you are vested &c &c — and you will ever find me most ready to cooperate with you in all such measures as you may suggest for giving support to those important arrangements, with the execution of which you are entrusted —

I have the honor to enclose an Inventory or

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List of Shengulingum Pillys Jewels, taken in presence of the Shevigherry Vakeel, to whom I had at one time reason to suppose I was to have delivered the Jewels. The Vakeel is furnished with a Copy of the Inventory and I have directed another to be delivered to Mr Hughes, in whose money Tumbril the Jewels are deposited, in order to their being held at your disposal. —

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I think Major Bannerman mentioned to me, previous to his departure, that he had communicated with you on the Subject of the Poligars of Woodcaid, Moneyatchey, Cadambour and Sandyore. —

As the three former were from their youth, incapable of managing their Pollams, and the fourth appeared little better than an Idiot; and as great complaints were received of the mismanagement of those individuals, who had assumed the public administration of affairs in their respective Pollams, Major Bannerman found it necessary to take Mutchulka Bonds from the three former, and to desire me to appoint as their managers, such men as should be pointed out by the Boys themselves, and approved of by some of the most respectable Inhabitants of their Pollams. he himself having appointed a Manager for the Sandyore Man, who was recommended by respectable Individuals of that Pollam, as fit for the Situation. —

Copies of the three Mutchilka Bonds, and of the four Cadjans of appointment of Managers, three of the Cadjans signed by me & one by Major Bannerman are enclosed for your information. —

× As this is the Season for giving attention to the discipline of the Sepoys, which cannot be well done while they are dispersed, I wish to be informed whether you have any longer occasion for a Guard to be posted at Sippar, as it had been reported to me that all the Rice you has Collected there, and for the protection of which this guard was originally required, has been removed. I should likewise wish to be favored with your opinion as to the

necessity

necessity of having Sepoys any longer stationed at Acldenore; and whether the number of men at Naglapore, and detached from thence, may not now be considerably reduced, as the Officer at the latter place has reported to me that the Prisoners have been removed by Mr Graeme and are no longer under his custody.— X

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Rt. Turing

Camp at Kylar
10th Decr 1799

Major Commanding the
Detachment in the Tinnivelly
District

Extract of a letter from Major Robt. Turing to Jos Webbe Esqr. Secy. to Government

dated Camp at Kylar 14th Decr. 1799

I have acquainted the Sheviagherry & Cottiapore Poligars of the resolution formed in their favour, and of the mark of public approbation, which the Collector is directed to bestow as a reward for their attention to the orders of Major Bannerman: and the Jewels of Shen Nalingum, which have been examined, & sealed up, in presence of the Sheviagherry Vakeel, shall be delivered to the Collector, for the purpose of being presented by him to the Poligars of Sheviagherry.—

Due attention shall be paid to the commands of Government, in apprizing the Poligars, (as soon as I shall be informed that Mr Lushington is prepared to issue the Proclamation) that the Collector has been furnished with powers for the administration of the Civil Government, and that I have received positive orders to use the force under my command, to enforce a prompt, and implicit observance, on the part of the Poligars, of those measures which he may, in consequence, find it necessary to adopt.—

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My most zealous cooperation shall not be wanting to assist the Collector in carrying into execution the laborious and important managements with which he is entrusted — 99

A true Extract

(Signed) R.t Turing

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To H: S Græme Esqr.
Acting Collector

Sirs

I have the honor to inclose you translation of an Oley forwarded to My Pallermuddum Gomastah Annee Pillay who is now at this place, from a weaver belonging to the Country under his Superintendance, and request your attention to the Contents thereof —

I am
Sirs
Your Obedient Servant

Tinnivelly
17th Decr. 99

(Signed) J Kenworthey
Coml. Rest.

Translation of an Oley from Companys Culloormey Broker named Shembah Pilly to the Companys Gomastah Aunapah Pilly —

After you went to Palamcottah, the manigar of Pallyamuddy sent Peons, seized a Cow & a Calf that were in the house of a Company's Weaver named Sunguren Chitty, in the Village called Culleorim, & also a Cow & a Calf in the house of my ploughing Servant, & carried away to Tervachooley — I & the Weavers went to the Amildar & complained that from the time of Mr Pouney we are weaving Cloth for the Company & from His time to this, there is no such trouble made in our Houses, if you send Peons & trouble us in this manner, how can we inhabit & weave Cloth for the Company — & desired him to give an order, to be given us, the Cows & Calfs — for which, He answered, he will never let them, & said, that I have no Cow, will keep them for five or Six months, draw milk, & after milk drawn, will give them afterward the Amildar kept one Cow for him, & the other he sent to his friend at Ramnad — all the Weavers of the said Village prepared to come to Palamcottah. I have stopt them & said, as the Gomastah of this province is gone to Palamcottah,

I shall write, & thro him inform M^r, I recover your Cows therefore you ought to get order's from Ramnad to the Amil-dar to return the Cows taken unjustly from the Weaving Inhabitants, & not to flog & trouble them, but taking justful Loom Tax, from the Weavers - & treat them Man-nerly (6) -

To

S: R: Lushington Esq.

Sirs.

I have the honor to enclose herewith an account transmitted to me by Major Bannerman of Contingent Charges during the period he commanded this Detachment, which he has requested I would present to you & receive payment of the Balance, amounting to St. Pag. 727 . 20 f.s

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servt.

(Signed) Rt. Turing
Major Commanding
Southern Detachment

Camp at Kytar
14th Decr. 1799

[illegible] Bannerman

Date		Particulars		Star Pags	F	C
1799 Septr	5th	To Batta paid Mapalay Vannean Prisoner		..	3	..
	6th	To Do Do		..	3	..
		To Cash paid to the Guides with Captn. O Reily when he joined the Camp at Panjalumcourchee and when he went to meet the 19th Regt.		1	..	35
		To Cash paid to 2 Village Peons carrying letter to Chetgoody		..	5	..
	7th	To Cash paid to Country People sent to enquire where Cataba Naig & his Family had fled &c		1	2	..
		To hire for a Country Peon Accompanied the Hercarrah carrying an Express to Lieut. Turner		..	3	..
		To hire for a Circar Peon carrying letter to Cadulgudy Poligar		..	3	..
		To 4 Country People Sent to Shew the Road to Colarputty to Captn. O Reily & Captn. Dallas Detachment		..	8	..
		To 1 Country Peon Accompanying the Hercarrah Sent with a letter to Nagalapore Poligar		..	6	..
		To Batta to Mapalay Vannean Prisoner		..	3	..
	8th	To 4 Country People Guides from Panjalumcourchee to Aroonculum		..	8	..
	9th	To Cash paid Guides Shewn road from Arooncolum to Nagelapore	8			
		To Do for 2 Village Men bringing on Captn. Dallas's letter from Colarpet to Naglaporam	4	..	12	..
	10th	To Cash paid for Country People Guides to Captn. O Reily & Dallas from Colarpetty to Nagalaporam	8			
		To Do Oil for Lamps to Writers &c for 6 Days	3	..	11	..
	11th	To Do presents to the Ettiapore Poligars People seizing Subramany his Brother &c				
		1 Head Servagar — S Pags 10 .. .. (S Pags F C)				
		1 Do Do Chs 10 or 6 .. 8 .. 24				
		2 Second Do at 5 each 10 or 6 .. 8 .. 24				
		112 Peons at 10 Fs each 112 or 73 .. 6 .. 36	96 .. 8 .. 24			
		To Cash paid for Subsistence 45 Prisoners at 36 Cash each	2 .. 3 .. 12			
		Oil for Prisoners	.. 3 ..	98	14	36

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Date	Particulars	Amount	S Pags	F	C
	Brought Over		98	14	36
1799 Sept. 12th	To Cash Paid for Subsistence 45 Prisoners at 36 Cash each		2	3	12
13th	To Do Do Do for 50 Do	2 – 7 –			
	To Do Oil for Prisoners for 2 Days	– 6 –			
	To Do for Country People Guides to the party that escorted Soondarapandia Naig to be Hunged at Gopalaporam	– 1 –	3	1	36
14th	To Cash paid for Subsisting 52 Prisoners at 36 Cash each	2 .. 8 .. 24			
	To Cash paid present to a Tondal & Lascar carrying express to Captn. Evans at Yadsival	10 .. "			
	To Cash paid Anaplay Vanniyen Prisoner for his Subsistence	– .. 5 –	12	11	24
15th	To Cash paid for Subsistence Prisoners		2	8	24
16th	To Do Do 52 Do	2 .. 8 .. 24			
	To Oil for Prisons for 3 Days	.. 9 ..			
	To Cash paid for Subsistence Anaplay Vaniyen for two days	– .. 5 .. –	3	7	12
17th	To Do for Subsisting 72 Prisoners	3 .. 8 .. 12			
	To Do for Lamp Oil for above Prisons	– .. 3 .. –	3	11	12
18th	To Do for Subsistence 72 Prisoners	3 .. 8 .. 12			
	To Do for Lamp Oil for Prisons	.. 3 .. –			
	To Do for a Horse presented to the Ettiapore Poligar	200			
	To Do 1 Pair Shawls Do Do	40			
	To Do 1 Harcarrah Accompanying the Ettiapoor Poligar	10 .. 250	253	11	12
19th	To Do for Subsisting 72 Prisoners	3 .. 8 .. 12			
	To Do for Lamp Oil for Prisons	– .. 3 .. –	3	11	12
20th	To Do for Subsisting 72 Prisoners	3 .. 8 .. 12			
	To Do for Lamp Oil for Prisons	– .. 3 .. –	3	11	12
21st	To Do presents to the Person who discovered the Jewels of Cattapa Naig	– .. 4 .. 27			
	To Do Country People Guides from Nagapore to Colarpetty	– .. 8 .. –		12	27
23rd	To Cash Paid Country People Guides from Colarputty to Wooporloo			8	
25th	To Do Do Do from Cratchy to Kytar			9	
30th	To Do Lamp Oil for Prisons for 3 days	3 .. –			
	To Do for Cracoplays Office Tent from 11th to 30th	– .. 10 .. –			
	Carried over	13 ..	[illegible]	5	16

Brought over — .. 13 .. —

1799 Sept.r 30th

Servants

To Cash paid 1 Head Jumpretty for September } 10 .. — ..

To D.o 2 Conicopilay D.o 10 .. — ..

To D.o 2 Head Harcarrahs at 2 1/2 Pag.s each } 5 .. — ..

To D.o 20 Harcarrahs at 2 P.s each 40 .. — .. 65 .. | 65 13 ..

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Oct.r 13th To 65 Coolies hire to bring Arms from Eteapoor to Hytar } 4 .. 4 ..

To 12 D.o D.o D.o D.o from Colavaty to D.o .. 12 .. | 5 .. 36

14th To 10 D.o D.o D.o D.o from Charalgoody to Hytar | 10 ..

15th To 27 D.o D.o D.o D.o from Manarcottah to D.o | 1 11 36

16th To 39 D.o D.o D.o D.o from Ettiapoor to D.o | 2 8 24

18th To 8 D.o D.o D.o D.o from Cadamboor to D.o | 6

19th To 46 D.o D.o D.o Guns, Arms, Cartridges & Shots from | 3 .. 12

20th To 12 D.o D.o D.o Arms for Manayachy to Hytar .. 12 ..

To 200 D.o D.o D.o Guns, Arms, Cartridges & Shots from Woolamaly to D.o } 13 .. 1 .. 36

To 25 D.o D.o D.o Arms from Naduvacourchy to D.o 1 .. 9 .. 36

To 18 D.o D.o D.o D.o from Pavaully to D.o 1 .. 2 .. 36

To Lamp Oil for the Conicoplies Tent from 1st to 20th .. 15 ..

To Cash Rice Issued to the Families of the Sivasoobramaniyah Pilly & Mauphalavaneyan for the Month of September 380 Mea Seers 3 8 7 } 19 .. 6 .. 30

Paid to Cattabomanaick by Lieut. Smith as P.r his Bill

Advanced Journey Expences from Madura to Hytar } [illegible] 13 .. 1 .. 15

12 Bearers hire from D.o to D.o 12 .. — ..

12 D.o Batta for 5 Days 2

27 .. 1 .. 15 | 17 .. 12 .. 3

2d To Cash for 7 Shawls Presented to the Polygars upon their taking Leave } 157 .. — ..

To Cash for 84 Turbands & 84 Saushes Presented to the Polygars & their Servants or managers } 136 .. — ..

Servants

To Cash pay to 1 Head Jumpretty from 1st to 20th @ 10 Pagodas P.r Month } 6 .. 10 .. 8

To Cash pay to 2 Conicoplies from d.o to d.o @ 5 Pag.s each P.r Month } 6 .. 10 .. 8

To Cash pay to 2 Head Hircars from D.o to D.o @ 2 1/2 Pagodas each P.r Month } 3 .. 5 .. 4

	Brought over	[illegible]	7	6
To Cash pay to 20 Hircarrahs from D° to D° @ 2 Pag^s each p^r month	26. 10. 0			
	43. 5. 4	391	4	1
	Star Pagodas	867	1	28

(Signd) I. Bannerman

Major Comg. Southern Detachment

To H. Grome Esqr.

Actg Collr. of Ramnad

Sir,

The Tahsildar of Punjaulcourchy agreeable to your dir[ections] has remitted 51 Colly Chuckrums & Seven Colly fanams (51 Ccks. 7 f.) the amount [o]f the Bill for subsistence to 17 Prisoners confined in this Garrison [a]s p[e]r advice of your letter of the 8th Instant — Also I have to acknowledge [t]he receipt of forty one Star Pagodas, eleven fanams & five cash (Ps. 41 11–5) batta to the Punjamahal Detachment —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Obedt. Servant

(Signed) W. Elliott Lt.

Comg.

Putamcottah

17th Dect. 1799 —

To H. Grome Esqr.

Actg Collector.

Sir,

I enclose you a Statement of Expenditure of Grain on account of Prisoners under my Charge in the present Month —

I have the honor to be Sir,

Your Obedient Servant

(Signed) Thos. Tichborne Lt.

Comg. Nagpore

Nagpore

18 Dect. 1799 —

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To H. Grome Esqr.
Acting Collector Ramnad

Sir,
The Roads on this Island have been impassable for some time past which prevented me the pleasure of receiving sooner your letter of the 9th Instant but I hasten to acknowledge it, & to offer my thanks for its kind contents. As the cattle are intended by Mr. North for the supplying of Trincomalie with fresh provisions I need not give you the trouble of being very particular as to their Size. All I request is that they may be young & if large Bullocks are to be had they would answer the Better for Stall feeding.

I have the honor to be, Sir
Your most obedient Humble Servant

Jaffnapatam
17th Decr. 1799

(Signed) R. F. Barbut
Lt. Colo. Comg.

To S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector of Poligars Peshcush &c. &c.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform You that I have at last been able to accomplish getting several Copies of the Proclamation of the 20th last October as issued by Major Bannerman to the Poligars inscribed on plates of Copper — and as I am of opinion that a degree of some consequence attaches to their being fixed up in a conspicuous situation in the Principal Village of each Pollam, in a manner as formal as possible I have adopted such measures as I thought necessary to insure this & have this day dispatched the plates to the different Stations for the purpose of being fixed up —

2nd. I have the honor to enclose for your information Copy of the Circular Letter, as notices which I have addressed on this

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-session of the different Poligars

3d. — I conceive it will be proper that two or three of the principal Villages of the sequestered Pollams should each have one of the Plates in question put up in it, and if you concur with me in this opinion I shall be obliged to you if you will let me know how many you think sufficient & to whom you wish the Plates to be transmitted with a view to their being disposed of as proposed.

4th. — It has been reported to me by the Subidar, in charge of the [illegible] at [illegible] Adinore, that in consequence of Information brought to him, he had discovered a few firelocks concealed in a Village in that neighbourhood, notwithstanding the threatned penalty of death against offenders in this Respect. When I am better informed of Particulars, I shall have the honor of addressing you further on this Subject. I have in the mean time given orders that the person who ever they may be in whose houses the arms were found concealed, shall be put in Irons, & kept in Confinement —

Camp [illegible],
23rd. Oct. 1799

I have the honor to be Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) R. Torin —
Major Comg.
Tinnevelly Detacht.

Translation of a Notification, dated 23d. Oct. 1799.

Major Robert Torin hereby gives public Notice to all the Poligars of the Pollams belonging to Tinnevelly Province that agreeable to the Notification made on the 20th October the engraved Copper plates will be sent to be affixed in the principal Village & Public place in each Pollam, the Copper plates being accordingly ready; Be it known to all the Poligars, that they are now sent by the Company's people, in order that they w[illegible]

2-12 be accordingly fixed in the principal Village of each Pollam[?]

It is hereby further notified, that as every Poligar shall be held responsible for the care of the Copper Plate fixed in his Village, he will be careful to have it always fixed in the same place & that it be ready for the Inspection of the Companies people at all times —

Revenue Department

To S. R. Lushington

Collector of Ramnad —

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that the Board consent to the arrangements proposed by your Assistant's letter of the 5th Inst. for securing the person and eventually the Balance due by the late Tahsildar of Manapara[?] —

Fort St. George

11th Decr. 1799 —

I am Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.

(Signed) J. B. Travers

Sub[?]

Revenue Department

To Mr. Stephen Lushington

Collector of Poligar Peshcush and

Ramnad —

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to send you Copies of two bills for Subsistance of the Poligar Followers in confinement at the Presidency, and to desire you will credit the Revenue Treasury, and debit the respective sequestered Pollams for the Expenditure under the Head of "Allowance for Subsisting Ex-[?] Poligars —

P[?]

I am

Fort St. George

Sir,

19th Decr. 1799

Your Obedient Servant

(Signed) J. B. Travers —

Sub[?]

The Honorable Company — Dr.

To Subsistance for 9 Days in October, and 30 Days in Novr. being 39 Days to the undermentioned Native Prisoners (arrived) for the Southward by order of Government at the following allowance

Vizt.

Vertteerampattie at 1 Sp. Pa. pr. day		39	Pagodas
Beenjah Shendrum a Do.	Do.	39	
Curpah Binnuh	a 1 Rupee pr. day	39	Rupees
Andeeconderaro	a 1 Do. Do.	39	
Shendalingum	a 1 Do. Do.	39	
Chinnabuttelor	a 1 Do. Do.	39	
Arrimonghoo	a 1 Do. Do.	39	
Verram	a 1 Do. Do.	39	

Total Seventy Eight Pagodas & two hundred & thirty four Rupees

(Signed) A. Grant Town Major

Fort St. George

9 Novr. 1799

The Honorable Company — Dr.

To Subsistence for this Month to the undermentioned Natives in Confinement by order of Government

			Ps.	Rs.
Vizt. Bungaruh Shanfeer	1 Pagoda per day		31	"
Yboly Rampudee	1 Do.	Do.	31	"
Cowrapaw Binnie	1 Rupee	Do.	"	31
Shandoolinghamn	1 Do.	Do.	"	31
Chinnaruttarah	1 Do.	Do.	"	31
Arumongar	1 Do.	Do.	"	31
Veeran	1 Do.	Do.	"	31
Arremongar	1 Do.	Do.	"	31
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Fort St. George

1st Decr. 1799

Total sixty two Pagodas & one hundred & eighty six Rupees

Total Rupees — 403

(Signed) A. Grant Town Major

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To H. Græme Esqr.
Assistant Collector,

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to notice to you, that you have omitted to forward with your letter of the 16th Decr. the application therein stated to have been made by Lt. Col. Barbut of the 30th Ulto. and your reply of the 7th Instant on the Subject of Supplying Cattle, before the Board can come to any decision, they require those papers and desire you will transmit them without delay —

Fort St. George
23rd Decr. 1799

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
(Signed) J. B. Travers
Secy.

To Mr. Stephen Lushington
Collector in the Poligar Peshcush

Sir,

(Circular) As the possibility of appropriating a sufficient military force for all the purposes which may be required in the collection of the Revenues or for removing obstacles thereto must depend on circumstances not within a Collectors knowledge you are desired in conformity to the orders of the Right Honble the Governor in Council to consider it a general principal, that you are not to embarrass your measures with the diminution of the public resentment thereby committing a pledge of your authority until you shall have stated the necessity and ascertained the means of employing military force —

Fort St. George
15th Decr. 1799

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
George Garrow
Dety Secy.

To H. Greme Esqr.
Acting Collector Ramnad

Sir,

I have been duly honored with your letter of the 16th Inst. and beg leave to offer my thanks, for the very great great attention you have shewn to the application I was directed to make by His Excellency the Governor on the 30th Ulto. but having just received hopes from the East, of soon obtaining a considerable supply of cattle, I trust it will be unnecessary for you to have recourse to compulsion —

Jaffnapatnam
22nd Decr. 1799.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your Obedient Humble Servant
(Signed). B. G. Barbut
Lt. Coll. Comg.

To Henry Sulivan Greme Esqr.
Actg. Collector of the Southern Poligar Pollams

Sir,

I have to request from you an advance of 8000 Star Pagodas for the use of the ensuing months Disbursements which if convenient do me the favor to dispatch to Keytar.

Madura
27th Decr. 1799.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your Obedient, Humble Servant
(Signed) Robt. Hughes
Paymaster

To S. Lushington Esqr.

Sir,

Viracomara Pilly, Armogam Pilly & Samy Chitty having been examined by the Committee established established for investigating the administration of the last Pearl fishery, are now on their return to Ramnad —

As they have behaved themselves very well during their Stay here and have given their Evidence without any Appearance of Prevarication, I can not refuse them a letter to you Sir, which their Fears make them wish for though I know it is unnecessary, to request that they may be protected against some powerful Natives whom they suspect I know not for what reason, that their Frankness may have dis=pleased —

Columbo Octr. 27th 1799.

I have the honor to be Sir, your
Obedient humble Servant
(Signd) Frederic North

To Mr. S. R. Lushington
Collector of Poligar Peishcush and
Ramnad

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to transmit you extract of a letter from the Collector of Dindigul dated 20th Instant connected with the proceedings of the Ramghurry Succession; On reference to your Moyenzabitah they perceive the name of the Tewab Navies Sundarow & theirm inserted, as also the name of William Wheatley; should these therefore be the Persons alluded to, the Board desire you will put them into Custody unless they can give good Security for their Personal appearance.

I am Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
T. O. Travers
Secty

Fort St. George
26th. Decr. 1799

Extract of a letter from Mr. Hurdis Dated 20th. Decr. 1799

In the accompanying papers I have the honor to present your Board with a Narrative of the Transactions at Ramnad and elsewhere, on the Ramghurry Succession any Comment from me will be unnecessary. I however have to request that your Board would direct the Taking into Custody the writer of the Ramnad Custody named William and the Tewab Navies Sundarow whose Conduct vide 52 & 53 Paras of Topa Pillays declaration, has much assisted the perversion of Justice in aspersing the Characters of some people belonging to me, as mentioned in Mr. Collector Jacksons letter to your Board of the 10th. April to which the Paragraphs alluded to refer

a true Extract
(Signed) Geo: Garrow
Depty Secy

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To S. Lushington Esqr.
Collector at Ramnad

Sir,

I am favoured with your Esteemed letter dated Fort St. George the 27th Novr. last, informing me and Mr. Albrecht of your permission to remain at Manapar, as well as of your Goodness in allowing me to occupy the House in which I before lived.

I take the liberty to offer you therefore my most Sincere and Gratefull thanks, begging that you will accept it Gratiously with the assurance that I Certainly will make myself worthy to your further protection

I remain Sir,
Your most truly Obliged and
very humble Servant

Manapar
Decr. 18th 1799

Signed G. Gratian

To Stephen Lushington Esqr.
Collector of Ramnad

Sir,

Mr. H. D. Ide' late Second Secretary of the Dutch Company at Tutacorin, entered Since Some Years past to trade with me in Company for half of the Gain & loss, in consequence of which he owes me presently by clearing by clearing of our Accounts a Sum of about 2896 Rix Dollars

He wrote me some time ago that the Govt. of Madras had required thither [illegible] & the other Servants of the Dutch Company of that place, & while he also perhaps might already have departed without directing me to any person [illegible] whom I should be paid the money which he owes me [illegible] he put me in anxiety which obliges me to [illegible] refuge to you and to request very obediently [illegible]

ance et, in ordering the administrators of affairs of Mr. Ide to furnish the accounts with me, which I otherwise would have suppose that the administrators should be in want of ready money to do this — & therefore I offer them to accept the two Doneys belonging to Mr. Ide (which he offered last by letters of the 18th July both for 160 — P.M. Pag[o] to the Interpreter of Colpetty Simon de Rosairoo) for the same price in deduction of the Debt. I request you therefore most humbly to order the said Administrators to deliver the mentioned two Dooneys with its furniture &c^a to my Disposition, in which case I have requested Mr. J. Meyer at that place to receive them for me & while your assistance in this business can save me from loss which I otherwise should sustain, I take the liberty of beging you very Instantly to support my request in this —

Mr. Ide was of opinion since some time ago that I should participate in a loss which he said to have suffered by the burning of a Vessel loaden with Salt, but I am informed that he owes this loss to himself having given reason for it, thus I mean not to be obliged to participate therein — I request most humbly as judge of that Place for your Decision or about, to know in howfar I should be obliged to satisfy to the desire of Mr. Ide or not, that I may direct my business accordingly —

I have the honor to be with the greatest esteem possible

Sir,

Your most Obedient S[ervant]

Columbo
1st Decr 1799 —

(Signed) D. G. Fridle